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Pope shuns tradition



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In this photo provided by the Vatican newspaper L'Osservatore Romano, Pope Francis greets Secretary of State cardinal Tarcisio Bertone, right, as he celebrates his inaugural Mass inside the Sistine Chapel, at the Vatican, on Thursday.

■ Francis' wardrobe reflects big change

By Nicole Winfield

Associated Press

VATICAN CITY — Pope Francis put his humility on display during his first day as pontiff Thursday, stopping by his hotel to pick up his luggage and pay the bill himself in a decidedly different style of papacy than his tradition-minded predecessor who tended to stay ensconced in the frescoed halls of the Vatican.

The break from Benedict XVI's pontificate was evident even in Francis' wardrobe choices: He kept the simple iron pectoral cross of his days as bishop and eschewed the red cape that Benedict wore when he was presented to the world for the first time in 2005 — choosing instead the simple white cassock of the papacy.

And in his first Mass as pope, Francis showed how different he would be as a pastor, giving an off-the-cuff homily about the need to walk with God, build up his church and confess — at one point referring to children building sand castles on the beach.

It was a far simpler message than the dense, three-page discourse Benedict delivered in Latin during his first Mass as pope in 2005.

The difference in style was a sign of Francis' belief that the Catholic Church needs to be at one with the people it serves and not impose its message on a society that often doesn't want to hear it, Francis' authorized biographer, Sergio Rubin,



In this photo provided by the Vatican newspaper L'Osservatore Romano, Pope Francis kneels in prayer in front of the icon of the Virgin Mary inside St. Mary Major Basilica, in Rome, Thursday.

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County jobless rate increases over past year

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Henderson County's unemployment rate in January was higher than one year earlier, reflecting in part the shutdown of Patriot Coal Corp.'s two mines here.

The jobless rate in January was 8.0 percent,

the same as in December but up from 7.6 percent in January 2012, according to the Kentucky Office of Employment and Training.

That bucked the recovery trend here, where unemployment rates had been slowly but steadily dropping from year to year since the low point of the Great Recession.

Patriot, which filed for

bankruptcy reorganization last July, permanently closed its Freedom underground mine in eastern Henderson County last summer and shut down its adjacent Bluegrass surface mining complex at the end of last year, laying off approximately 285 people in the process.

The St. Louis-based company cited a lack of

market demand last spring for shutting down the underground mine, but offered no explanation for the shutdown of the surface mine, where reclamation work continues with a small crew.

An estimated 20,965 Henderson County residents had jobs in January,

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the 1000 block of West Delaware Street in Evansville.

He will be sentenced during a hearing on April 16. He could be sentenced to between 45 and 65 years on the murder charge and 20 to 50 years for conspiracy to commit robbery.

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According to court testimony, the



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Dorsey Ridley

Local lawmakers report session is mostly a bust

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The news from Frankfort these days is mostly what's not happening, local legislators told an audience Thursday at the Henderson Chamber of Commerce's legislative breakfast.

"I wish I had a lot of real interesting things to tell you," said state Rep. David Watkins, D-Henderson. "Unfortunately, I feel like the session hasn't done near as much as I had hoped it would have done."

The big issues — pension reform, legislative redistricting and resolution to the dispute between Big Rivers Electric Corp. and area aluminum smelters — have seen little movement, Watkins and state Sen. Dorsey Ridley agreed.

"I hoped that we would get serious" about pension reform, Watkins said. "The Senate passed something for the pensions and the only thing they forgot to do was put some money in it," which caused the audience at the Henderson Country Club to break into laughter.

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Superintendent pay will be made public

■ Evaluations also available

By Ben Finley

Associated Press

government have come a long way in becoming more transparent, making everything from state contracts to our basketball coaches' compensation packages readily available," he said. "Yet important information about our schools is still cloaked in darkness."

Education Department Associate Commissioner Hiren Desai said the state also will start to require districts to evaluate superintendents' handling of fiscal matters.

Superintendents' base salaries, the average of which is just under \$120,000, already are listed on the Kentucky Department of Education's website, KED spokeswoman Nancy Rodriguez said. The department will soon display additional compensation such as

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Evansville man guilty of killing Henderson man

■ Three witnesses say he shot Cedrick Watt

By Mark Wilson

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A Vanderburgh Superior Court jury on Thursday found Ted Mueller Jr. guilty of murder and conspiracy to commit robbery causing serious bodily injury charges in the shooting of Henderson resident Cedrick Watt last fall.

Mueller, 22, is one of two men charged in the death. According to court testimony, Watt was killed with a single gunshot through his heart shortly after 3 a.m. Sept 17 in

the 1000 block of West Delaware Street in Evansville.

He will be sentenced during a hearing on April 16. He could be sentenced to between 45 and 65 years on the murder charge and 20 to 50 years for conspiracy to commit robbery.

Three witnesses testified they were present and saw Mueller shoot Watt. Among them were acquaintance Shawn Kohlmeyer; Mueller's sister, Angie Mueller; and co-defendant Christopher Bell, 23. Bell is to stand trial on murder and conspiracy charges in the case on April 8.

According to court testimony, the



Ted Allen Mueller Jr.

four drove to Henderson in Angie Mueller's van to pick up Watt after Watt called Kohlmeyer and asked him to arrange a ride to Evansville.

During closing arguments Thursday, Deputy Prosecutor Levi Burkett said

Mueller and Bell plotted to rob Watt of marijuana by obtaining a gun and driving him to a poorly lit area near an empty lot to pull off the robbery.

Angie Mueller and Kohlmeyer both testified that Watt ran after

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Deaths**Preston Allen Johnson, Sr.**

Preston Allen Johnson, Sr., 81, Henderson, died at 11:20 a.m. Thursday, March 14, 2013, at Methodist Hospital.

He was a member of Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Church. Preston was retired from Gibbs Die Casting. He was a Korean War U.S. Army veteran.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Sidney Allen and Margaret Elizabeth Denton Johnson; one grandson, Patrick Neil Hite; and his son-in-law, Alan R. VanMeter.

Survivors include his wife of 60 years, Suzanne Overfield Johnson; one daughter, Penny Johnson VanMeter of Evansville; two sons, Preston Allen Johnson, Jr., and his wife, Jenny, of Evansville and Stephen Johnson and his wife, Becky, of Henderson; one brother, David E. Johnson and his wife, Corine, of Henderson; nine grandchildren; eleven great-grandchildren; nieces and nephews.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday at Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Church. Father Larry McBride will officiate. Burial will be in St. Louis Cemetery with full military rites performed by American Legion Worsham Post No. 40.

Friends may call from 2 to 8 p.m. today and until 10 a.m. Saturday at Rudy-Rowland Funeral Home where prayers will be said at 6 p.m. today.

Expressions of sympathy may take the form of contributions to Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Church or St. Anthony's Hospice.

Pallbearers will be Preston Allen Johnson, Jr., Stephen Johnson, Ryan Johnson, Timothy Johnson, Scott Johnson, Don Winn, Ray Clanan and David Farmer.

Phillip Morris

Phillip Morris, 63, Henderson, passed away at 5:55 a.m. Thursday, March 14, 2013, at his home under the care of St. Anthony's Hospice.

He was born in 1949 in New Bedford, Massachusetts to Daniel and Hilda Morris. Phillip was of the Baptist faith. After graduating Henderson County High School in 1967, he went to work as an electrician in maintenance at Gamco Products Co. Phillip married his high school sweetheart Linda on May 29, 1967. When he wasn't hunting or fishing you could find him watching UK ball or any football game. He was an avid photographer who loved taking pictures of wildlife and nature.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Linda Morris, in 2008.

Survivors include two daughters, Sheina Burden and her husband, Randy, from Panama City Beach, Fla., and Misty Dohrn and her husband, Daniel, of Henderson; one son, Christopher Morris of Henderson; one sister, Sharon Craig of Henderson; one brother, David Morris of Henderson; five grandchildren, Dylan, Tyler, Lindsey, Aubrey and Elizabeth; one great-grandchild, Raelyne; nieces and nephews.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend Phillip's Life Celebration from 4 to 8 p.m. today and again on Saturday starting at 10 a.m. at Tapp Funeral Home.

The funeral service will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday at the funeral home. The Rev. Dan Book will officiate. Burial will follow in Fairmont Cemetery.

Expressions of sympathy may take the form of contributions to the American Cancer Society.

Arrangements are entrusted to Tapp Funeral Home, A Life Celebration Home.

Online condolences may be made at www.tappfh.com.

Hadleigh Mae Hogan

Hadleigh Mae Hogan, infant daughter of Jamie Haines and Scotty Hogan, both of Henderson, died Tuesday, March 12, 2013, at Methodist Hospital.

In addition to her parents survivors include two brothers, Kristopher Madden and Kameron Madden, both of Henderson; maternal grandparents, Marlene and Richard Haines of Robards; paternal grandparents, Kay and Scotty Hogan of Henderson; great-grandparents, Phyllis

Funerals**Ronald J. Klutey**

Services for Ronald J. Klutey, 76, Henderson, who died Tuesday, will be at 1 p.m. Saturday at Tomblinson Funeral Home Henderson Chapel. Terry Gower and Bob Franz will officiate. Entombment will be in Roselawn Memorial Gardens at a later date.

Friends may call from 2 to 7 p.m. today and after 11 a.m. Saturday at the funeral home.

Robert L. Miller

Services for Robert L. Miller, 66, Morganfield, who died Friday, will be at 11 a.m. today at Carrs Chapel Church in Morganfield. The Rev. Karl Anderson and the Rev. Ronnie Burkins will officiate. Burial will be in Odd Fellows Cemetery in Morganfield.

Arnold Gregory Taylor

Memorial services for Arnold Gregory Taylor, 91, Bowling Green, who died Tuesday, will be at 6 p.m. today at Johnson-Vaughn-Phelps Funeral Home in Bowling Green. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery at an unspecified date.

Friends may call after 3 p.m. today at the funeral home.

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Graveside services will be at 1 p.m. Saturday at Fernwood Cemetery. The Rev. Frank Nally will officiate.

Tomblinson Funeral Home Henderson Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

James Francis Mitchell II

James Francis Mitchell II, 69, Reed, died at 10:06 a.m. Friday, March 8, 2013, at his residence under the care of St. Anthony's Hospice.

He owned and operated Mitchell's Grocery in Reed from 1987 to 2004.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Opal Minton Nelson; and his wife, Janie Walker Mitchell.

Survivors include his father, Walter Mitchell of Centertown, Ky.; six children, Janice Bowman, Janet Carmickle and Jerry Murry, all of Evansville, Ronnie Walker of Chandler, Ind., and Christy McDaniel and James F. Mitchell III, both of Reed; one sister, Debbie Frye of Bowling Green, Ky.; one brother, Alton Mitchell of Beaver Dam, Ky.; 12 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; nieces and nephews.

Memorial services will be at 6 p.m. today at New Beginning Missionary Baptist Church, next to Spottsville Elementary School. Brother Don Haire will officiate.

Expressions of sympathy may take the form of contributions to the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

Tomblinson Funeral Home Henderson Chapel is handling arrangements.

Jon King Jr.

MADISONVILLE – Jon King Jr., 14, Madisonville, died Friday, March 8, 2013, in a car accident in Braxton County, W.Va.

He attended Eastview Missionary Baptist Church in Madisonville and was a student at James Madison Middle School in Madisonville.

Survivors include his parents, Jon King of Augusta, Ga., and Crystal Colbert of Austin, Texas; a stepmother, Melissa King; three sisters, Tyajah McCargo of Uniontown, Pa., and Tenille and Jhenia King both of Augusta; three brothers, KySchaun Colbert-Johnson of Union Springs, Ala., Donte King of Augusta and Jamal Perry of Atlanta; grandparents, William King Sr. of Mount Pleasant, Pa., and Cyndie King of Madisonville; great-grandparents, Russell King of Uniontown and Buelah Mack of Hiller, Pa.

Funeral services were Wednesday at Lantz Funeral Home Inc. in Uniontown, Pa.

Elliott Mortuary Funeral Services Madisonville was in charge of local arrangements.

Michaela Cy'Omarra Monique White

MADISONVILLE – Michaela Cy'Omarra Monique White, 12, Madisonville, died Friday, March 8, 2013, in a car accident in Braxton County, W.Va.

She attended Eastview Missionary Baptist Church in Madisonville and was a student at James Madison Middle School in Madisonville.

Survivors include her parents, John R. White Jr. and Amy L. King of Madisonville; five sisters, Tierra Jackson, Ashley White, Shekinah White, Deja Birchfield and Amya King, all of Madisonville; three brothers, Orlando Green and Derek Fairrow, both of Madisonville, and Devin Fairrow of Atlanta; grandparents, William King Sr. of Mount Pleasant, Pa., Cyndie King of Madisonville and John White Sr. and Darlene White of Madisonville and Charles and Pernell Eaves of Earlington; great-grandparents, Russell King of Uniontown, Pa., and Buelah Mack of Hiller, Pa.

Services will be at 1 p.m. Saturday at First Baptist Church in Madisonville. The Revs. Kelsey M. Hopson and Shalmon T. Radford will officiate. Burial will be in Westside Odd Fellows Cemetery in Madisonville. Friends may call after 11 a.m. Saturday at the church.

Elliott Mortuary Funeral Services Madisonville is in charge of arrangements.

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HCHS' Byrne signs archery scholarship**By Erin Schmitt**

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With the flourish of an arrow-shaped pen, the girl her teammates call Katniss after "The Hunger Games" heroine accepted an archery scholarship to attend the University of the Cumberlands.

Henderson County High School senior Jessica Byrne became the first archery signing of the season Thursday during a ceremony held at Chase Fulcher Training Facility. County High sent six of its graduates to the college last year, the first year the University of the Cumberlands offered athletic scholarships to archers. Fulcher said he was excited the University of Cumberlands offered archery scholarships and hopes more colleges will do so.

"Turns out I was pretty good, so I just kept going from there," she said. The senior's highest score is 294 out of a possible 300.

Byrne is the daughter of Michele LaRocca, who

said she was proud of her daughter and hoped she will inspire other girls.

Kris Strebeck, the head archery coach at the University of the Cumber-

lands, said the college was looking forward to adding Byrne to the team.

Aside from the college scholarship, Byrne

also received a \$500 personal check from archery supporter Chase Fulcher. He and his wife Marjorie have set aside \$75,000 through the Community Foundation to continue offering scholarships to Henderson archers.

Fulcher said he was excited the University of Cumberlands offered archery scholarships and hopes more colleges will do so.

Local & Regional

Man is not charged in wife's hotel death

By Richard Gootee

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Evansville police said they don't expect to arrest the man who reportedly wheeled his unresponsive wife on a luggage cart and out of an East Side hotel on Wednesday after an autopsy was completed on the woman's body.

Vanderburgh County Coroner Annie Groves said that 47-year-old Robin Frank's official cause of death won't be concluded until toxicology results are final in about a month. However, Groves said she is "very comfortable" ruling out foul play on Robin Frank's body.

conducting the autopsy Thursday afternoon.

"No criminal case is being pursued at this time," Evansville Police Department Sgt. Jason Cullum said in a statement released after the autopsy. "The behavior by the husband after the death was unusual, but nothing at this time indicates it was criminal."

Police had questioned and released Frank's husband, Kenneth Frank, 57, in the case Wednesday without arresting him. Both the coroner's office and police had previously told the Courier & Press that there were no external signs of foul play on Robin Frank's body.

According to an Evansville Police Department incident report, a Hampton Inn employee noticed Kenneth Frank taking his wife's body to the parking lot on the luggage cart just after 12:30 p.m., on Wednesday. The employee reportedly told police that Frank said his wife was OK. The hotel is located at 8000 Eagle Crest Blvd.

The first responding officers stopped Kenneth Frank in the parking lot and detained him for questioning. According to police, Robin Frank's body was already in a car registered to Kenneth Frank, according to the police. Robin Frank was pronounced dead at the scene.

On Thursday, Groves said she believes that Robin Frank died Wednesday at about 7 a.m.

The Franks were both registered guests of the hotel, according to police, and Cullum confirmed that only one hotel room was searched as part of the investigation.

Groves said the Franks were at Hampton Inn because of a fire that broke out at their residence earlier this month. According to Warrick County emergency dispatchers, that fire was reported on March 8 at the Franks' apartment, which is located in the 5800 block of Kreager Lane in Newburgh in the Riverwind Apartments complex, at 4:21 a.m.

Asked if simply transporting a dead body was a crime, Cullum said an arrest could be made for suspicion of abusing a corpse, but that investigators don't believe such an act was committed in this case.

"Just moving it is not necessarily a crime," he said. "If he had done stuff to it — like trying to hide it or dispose of it — that would've probably come into play."

Cullum declined to disclose specifics from Kenneth Frank's interview with investigators including if Kenneth Frank told authorities what he had planned to do with his wife's body if he hadn't been stopped by police.

One Life Church targeting community improvement

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One Life Church is sponsoring an event on Saturday called Engage.

Engage is in an effort to serve residents in the East End community in Henderson and the Jacobsville community in Evansville, according to church officials.

In Henderson, volunteers meet at 9 a.m. at South Heights Elementary School.

These volunteers will conduct landscaping, cleanup and repairs at South Heights and at Jefferson Elementary School, Newman Park, Anthony Brooks Park and WC Handy Park.

They will also be involved in home repairs and general trash cleanup throughout the East End.

In Evansville, volunteers will meet at 9 a.m. at Jacobsville Park. These volunteers will take on projects including landscaping, cleanup and repairs at Jacobsville Park, Delaware Elementary School and St. Vincent's Day Care.

Volunteers will also perform home repairs and conduct trash cleanup throughout the Jacobsville community.

For more information call 812-401-7494.

Capitol protest



Cindy Sommer, left, a private investigator from Lexington, and others visit the Capitol in Frankfort on Wednesday to urge Gov. Steve Beshear to veto a controversial religious freedom bill that would strengthen legal protections for religious freedom in Kentucky. The House and Senate passed the measure earlier this week and it awaits Beshear's signature.

Briefs

Chandler under boil advisory

A.B. Chandler Elementary was placed under a boil water advisory Thursday after a water main in Corydon was accidentally cut.

Kentucky Utilities were putting in an anchor for a utility pole on Broadway Street in Corydon when the company's crew hit the top of a water main at about 10 a.m. Thursday, said Jimmy Skaggs, a field supervisor for Henderson County Water District. The line had been mis-marked by County Water District crews by about two and a half feet.

Chandler was left with very low water pressure for about 30 minutes, Skaggs said. The cut line also affected four Corydon residences, but they were not placed under a 24-hour boil advisory like the school.

For precautionary measure, students were told to not drink out of the water fountains the

rest of the day, said Danielle Crafton, spokesperson with Henderson County Schools. Each student was given a bottle of water and cafeteria staff used bottled water to prepare lunch.

Students were still able to use the restroom and wash their hands, Crafton said.

The water main was repaired before noon, Skaggs said. Precautionary tests will be done to ensure the water is safe to drink.

Cairo holding arts show

Cairo Elementary will be hosting its third annual arts and crafts show from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday at the school.

More than 20 vendors will be at the PTA sponsored arts and crafts show, selling items that include hair bows, tutus, embroidery, candles, jewelry, purses, paintings, wreaths, kitchen items, pet supplies, glassworks, crafts and more. Baked

Report: Miners need better escape plans

The Associated Press

MORGANTOWN, W.Va. — Federal regulators and safety officials should consider requiring more backup air supplies and work to develop better breathing devices that would help the nation's coal miners escape underground emergencies, a panel of experts said in a report released Thursday.

The report from the National Research Council makes seven wide-ranging recommendations to two agencies — the Mine Safety and Health Administration and the National Occupational Safety and Health Administration. Among other things, it

urges better technology, including systems for communicating with people on the surface, real-time gas monitors and fail-safe tracking devices.

The independent, non-profit National Research Council is the main operating agency of the National Academy of Sciences. The report was authored by a nine-member committee of experts with universities, the private sector, NASA and the United Mine Workers of America.

The report doesn't propose new laws or regulations, instead focusing on ways to better equip the nation's 50,000 underground miners.

goods and a concession will also be available.

Money raised from the public event will fund the end of school reward day for all Cairo students and staff.

Highways to get spring cleaning

FRANKFORT — It's time for spring cleaning on Kentucky's roadsides, and volunteers will be out doing just that next week. March 17 to 23 is Adopt-a-Highway Spring Clean Week.

The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet says almost 750 groups participate in the program, which is 25 years old this year. Those groups clean some 5,100 miles of roadside each year.

The program is open to any permanently established business, association, community or public organization, or government entity.

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Editorial

Pope Francis must bridge old, new world

Pope Francis is faced with bringing reform to an institution that has survived for so many centuries precisely because it doesn't change — or changes only as much as it needs to.

The Roman Catholic Church, which moves methodically and deliberately in accordance with centuries-old rituals, had been thrown into turmoil by Pope Benedict XVI. He chose to retire into seclusion, the first pope to do so in nearly 600 years. Thus, the choice of Benedict's successor assumed unusual importance and had to be made without offending powerful constituencies.

The Italian cardinals were grumbling that the post of Bishop of Rome — theirs for most of the past 2,000 — recently had twice gone to foreigners.

The College of Cardinals — whose members were chosen by either John Paul II or Benedict, both conservative — wanted an inspirational leader but not one who would stray from orthodoxy or exhibit personal flamboyance. Conservatives even looked askance at Benedict's occasional use of Twitter.

After only two days of deliberation, the electors' relatively swift choice of the Argentine Cardinal Jorge Mario Bergoglio showed the church's ability for decisiveness and shrewd compromise. They found something for each constituency.

At 76, Cardinal Bergoglio was a known quantity. Soft-spoken, he was thoroughly orthodox: He was firmly against abortion and contraception, marriage for priests, ordination for women, and liberation theology. And when Argentina enacted a same-sex marriage law, he denounced it as "the machinations of the Father of Lies."

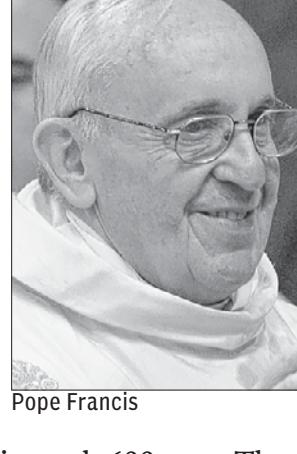
Bergoglio would be the first pope from the Americas, more especially from Latin America, one of the most deeply Catholic parts of the world. His parents, however, were Italian immigrants and his name satifly Italian.

He had lived simply and humbly in Buenos Aires, taking a small apartment, cooking his own meals and using public transportation, so he was unlikely to be seduced by the grandeur and pageantry of St. Peter's and the ample amenities of the Vatican.

As the spiritual leader of 1.2 billion Roman Catholics around the world, Francis must contend with deep and unsettling changes. In Europe and the Americas, church attendance is flat or declining. Even in his own Argentina, only 19 percent attend Mass weekly, and in Latin America Catholicism faces increasing competition from evangelical faiths.

The church's greatest growth is in the Third World, but in parts of Africa and the Mideast Christianity faces its greatest persecution. In China, the communist government has chosen to take over the Catholic Church, naming its bishops and priests without regard to Rome and monitoring what they preach.

Still, the pope is one of the world's most influential leaders and voices. No one doubted his seriousness when Francis said he needed the prayers of the people.



Pope Francis



Business, not Washington, rebuilding U.S.

Despite diatribes to the contrary, American corporations include multitudes that are tough-minded, occasionally brilliant and manifestly capable, a major reason the stock market is not just alive and well, but downright perky.

That's worth a grin, as is the somewhat misleading decline in the unemployment rate. But don't suppose the government can't change that to a frown, even wailing and gnashing of teeth. It's trying right now.

Corporations have not had an easy go of it in either the past recession or a recovery in which federal wizards aimed to spend us out of trouble, thereby spending us into danger. Yet even with the worry of catastrophic debt default, the coming of the ultra-burdensome Affordable Care Act — "Obamacare" — and still other regulatory deathtraps, any number of corporations big and small have managed to earn credible profits.

One means was cutting costs, and one way of accomplishing that end was to do more with less labor, horrifying many on

the left. They think that, instead of increasing efficiency in hard times, businesses should convert to welfare agencies.

Many, of course, would then go out of business, or at the least perform abysmally. Brave, bold profits, on the other hand, set them up for a sterling future of expansion and — let's all say hallelujah — hiring sprees.

Investors see this, they begin to have hope where there was very little, they invest more, stock prices go up and the left sneers. The supposition, as economically uninformed as it is ideologically inspired, is that the stock market is just a way for the rich to get richer.

The actuality is that about half of all Americans have stock investments, and whether the stocks are individually owned or

say, part of a union pension fund, owners profit when stocks grow in value.

If that pension fund is for government workers, some taxpayers get off a hook or two. When investments by nonprofit groups do well, they can provide more services to the needy.

As their value goes up and they get more capital, businesses can provide more goods, services, tax revenue and occupations that put money in pockets and not infrequently do something that too often gets lost in the discussion. Jobs can add purpose to human lives.

Of course, it wasn't just corporate character and cleverness that led to the latest rise in stocks, but a number of other factors, not the least of which was the Federal Reserve and its easy money policies. Though those policies help boost stock prices, they also threaten runaway inflation.

If you think the Federal Reserve is always a life-guard and never an anchor tied to a swimmer's foot, think again. Easy money helped drag us into a recession along with crony

capitalism and federal policies that prompted people to buy houses they could not afford. There's little that big, bad Wall Street did wrong that was not abetted by big, bad government.

The other cheering news of the moment is that unemployment is down to 7.7 percent of those seeking work. The heart palpitates at a slower speed when we realize we got there in large part because of ever fewer people seeking work.

The cure is really, truly vigorous economic growth that we can only instigate and sustain if the administration quits handling the politics of overspending by exaggeration, trickery and blatant insincerity. At some point, we need seriousness about long-term reductions of a debt that could turn our world upside down.

In the meanwhile, the free citizenry and a private sector of amazing energy and ingenuity are edging us in the right direction. The government obstructs, but we the people keep doing our best to overcome.

Venezuela's paper tiger won't be wax dummy

Hugo Chavez was not a terribly dignified individual in life, given to wearing military uniforms enlivened by his personal embellishments, having grandiose plans for alliances with such world powers as Iran and Cuba, denouncing President George W. Bush as the devil and giving bellicose harangues predicting imminent U.S. invasion, as if we haven't had enough problems wrestling with the problems of dysfunctional Third World nations.

In death, however, the Venezuelan dictator seems to have escaped one final indignity. The funerary plans called for Russian experts to embalm Chavez's body so it could be put on perpetual display inside a glass case at a military museum not far from the presidential palace. However, the experts said that Venezuela waited too long for them to do a proper job.

Originally, said the acting head of state, Vice President Nicolas Maduro, the government "decided to prepare the body of our Commandante President,

to embalm it so that it remains open for all time for the people.

By most standards, Chavez's corpse escaped a macabre fate. For all the talk about advances in the embalmer's art, Chavez would have effectively been stuffed, mounted and put on display as a tourist attraction.

The ancient Egyptians went to elaborate lengths to preserve their dead, but then the mummified corpses were hidden; it remained for our more enlightened age to put them on display. The medieval church tended to parcel out pieces of its saints, encased in elaborate reliquaries, to favored places of pilgrimage.

But it took the supposedly hardheaded realists of communism — socialists immune to superstition — to carry the preservation

of deceased leaders to truly unnerving levels.

The mother church, so to speak, of dead Marxists is Lenin's Tomb in Moscow's Red Square. Lenin has been on display since a few days after his death in January 1924, and if you believe the rumors, his body has been rebuilt so many times since then that what's under that glass lid is more Madame Tussauds than Vladimir Lenin. His tomb mate for eight years was his murderous successor, Josef Stalin, who was exhumed and buried next to the Kremlin Wall, still a place of honor, but more discreet and the body was out of sight.

Ho Chi Minh has been under glass in Vietnam since 1975, and Mao Zedong's embalmed body has been on display in Beijing since 1977. The Chinese wait in long lines, maybe to pay their respects, maybe to reassure themselves that he's still dead.

The body of North Korea's founding dictator, Kim Il Sung, has been available for viewing since 1975 in a former presidential palace, and a few floors below is the preserved

body of his son and successor, Kim Jong Il.

Eva "Evita" Peron, the wife of Argentina's dictator, Juan Peron, died in 1952 and was embalmed. But Peron was driven into exile in 1955. Eva's body then began a sort of "Weekend at Bernie's" existence, being hidden in various locations by the army, which was afraid to bury her or put her on display because of her continuing popularity.

Eventually, Eva was shipped to Europe to join her husband and his third wife, Isabel. Juan Peron returned to Argentina, was re-elected president in 1973, but died the next year, to be succeeded by Isabel. She brought the well-preserved Eva back and gave her a decent burial — not, however, with her one-time husband.

Chavez supporters will probably erect an elaborate tomb to the founder of the incoherent national philosophy of "Bolivarism." They will ignore his final wish to be buried in his hometown of Sabaneta, but even so, he narrowly escaped the fate of being a tourist spectacle.

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Nation & World

Expert set to bail out Detroit

By Corey Williams

Associated Press

DETROIT — Michigan's governor appointed an auto-industry turnaround expert Thursday to steer Detroit back from the brink of ruin. The one-time symbol of America's industrial strength became the biggest U.S. city to be placed under state financial control.

Kevyn Orr, a partner in the Cleveland-based law firm of Jones Day who represented Chrysler during its successful restructuring, will have broad powers to control all spending, including renegotiating labor contracts, selling off assets and even suspending elected officials' salaries.

Under state law, his appointment is to last 18 months, but Orr doesn't expect the turnaround to take nearly that long.

The job "has a fuse on it," he said, "and if I do a good job, I get fired. I am highly motivated. If we work together, we can get this done significantly shorter than 18 months."

Detroit is saddled with a



Kevyn Orr (center), speaks at a news conference Thursday in Detroit. He is joined by Mayor Dave Bing (left) and Gov. Rick Snyder. The city is under state financial control now.

\$327 million budget deficit and more than \$14 billion in long-term debt, a morass that developed during the decline of the auto industry, the exodus of a quarter million people from 2000 to 2010 and outright mismanagement at City Hall.

At the height of its manufacturing boom, in 1950,

Detroit was home to 1.8 million people. The 2010 census put the population at 713,000. Some estimates now place it below 700,000.

The city has been making ends meet on a month-to-month basis with the help of bond money held in a state escrow account. The city also has instituted

mandatory unpaid days off for many city workers.

When he met with Gov. Rick Snyder, Orr said, he called the manager job "an unsung hero task." He asked the governor why he would bother to help the city. Snyder's response was: "Kevyn, it's the right thing to do, and it's the right time to do it."

Answers hard to find after N.Y. gun rampage

By Michael Hill

and Mary Esch

Associated Press

HERKIMER, N.Y. — The man killed by police after a shooting rampage that left four people dead was a mystery in a small town, a stranger to his neighbors and a man of few words, even at a bar where he regularly drank Coors Light and listened to, but never sang, karaoke.

A former boss who worked with gunman Kurt Myers for 20 years described him as a quiet and

nervous but intelligent and congenial man who was a fan of World War II trivia — though a recent encounter with his old employee left him unsettled.

Steve Copperwheat, who hired Myers as a machine operator in the early 1980s at Waterbury Felt, a manufacturer of industrial textiles, said he encountered him in a Wal-Mart parking lot three months ago after not seeing him in about 10 years.

"I yelled over to him and he looked at me, said my name, said he was retired, and just went booking

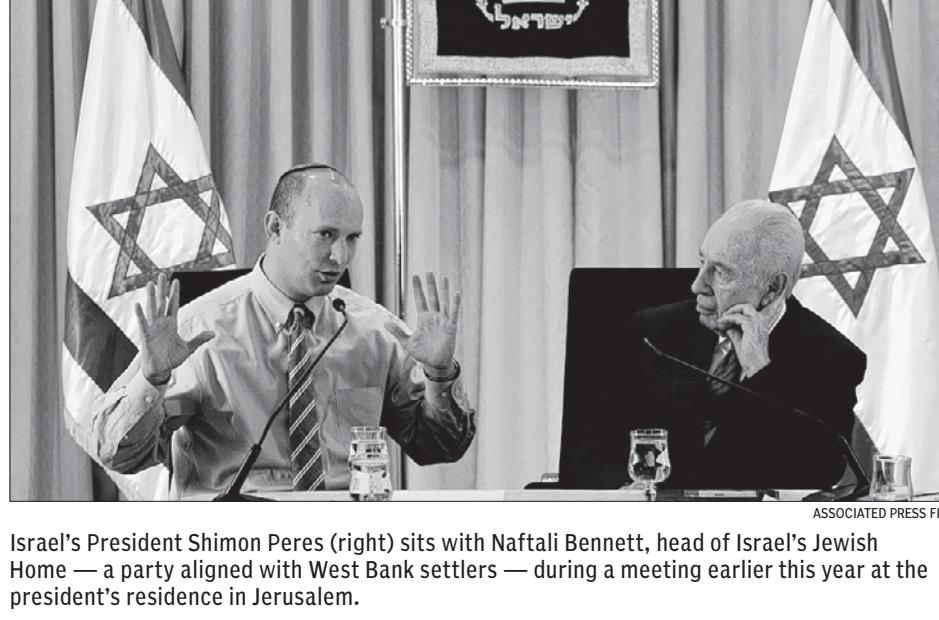
away," Copperwheat said. "It was almost like he didn't want anybody to know where he was. He was trying to be very distant, which surprised me. The whole conversation was really spooky."

Police don't know why Myers, whose final killing was of an FBI dog, chose the locations or victims. The gunman didn't appear to be close to his family even though it has lived in the area for generations, and police interviews with relatives and neighbors have produced little.

About the only clue is his cryptic query before he opened fire on customers in a barbershop where he used to get his hair cut: "Do you remember me?"

Myers died early Thursday in a gunfight with officers in an abandoned tavern where he holed up 19 hours earlier after walking into the barbershop and a car-care shop and shooting six men, four fatally.

The shootings rattled Herkimer and neighboring Mohawk, two villages about 170 miles northwest of New York City.



Israel's President Shimon Peres (right) sits with Naftali Bennett, head of Israel's Jewish Home — a party aligned with West Bank settlers — during a meeting earlier this year at the president's residence in Jerusalem.

Last-minute snag stalls deal for Israeli leader's coalition

By Josef Federman

Associated Press

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DID YOU KNOW?

The Baltimore oriole has been the namesake of the city's professional baseball team, the Baltimore Orioles, since the late 19th century.

Source: www.nationalgeographic.com

Across the nation

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Iranian jet pursues surveillance drone

WASHINGTON — An Iranian fighter jet approached a U.S. surveillance drone over the Persian Gulf but broke off its pursuit after the pilot of a U.S. escort plane radioed a verbal warning, the Pentagon said Thursday.

Pentagon press secretary George Little said the incident occurred Tuesday and that the unarmed MQ-1 Predator surveillance drone as well as two U.S. military escort planes remained over international waters at all times.

Little said the drone was conducting a "routine classified" surveillance mission.

He said the Iranian F-4 plane came as close as 16 miles to the drone before it departed.

Little initially said that a U.S. escort plane discharged a flare to warn the Iranian pilot, but he later retracted that statement, saying instead that the Iranian plane broke off its pursuit after receiving a U.S. "verbal warning."

TSA defends letting knives on planes

WASHINGTON — The head of the Transportation Security Administration told lawmakers Thursday he stands by his plan to allow passengers to carry small knives onto planes despite a growing backlash against the proposal.

It's unlikely in these days of hardened cockpit doors and other preventive measures that the small folding knives could be used by terrorists to take over a plane, TSA Administrator John Pistole told a hearing of the House Homeland Security Committee.

On the other hand, searching for the knives on passengers or in their carry-on bags is time-consuming, Pistole said. TSA screeners confiscate about 2,000 such knives every day, with each incident chewing up about two to three minutes, he said.

"I think the decision is solid and it stands, and we plan to move forward," Pistole said.

The policy, which goes into effect April 25, has sparked strong opposition from flight attendants, federal air marshals, some pilot unions, aviation insurers and even some airline CEOs. In the hands of the wrong passengers, the knives present an unnecessary safety risk to flight attendants and other passengers, critics say.

OHIO

Woman, 106, finally given her diploma

COLUMBUS — A 106-year-old central Ohio woman who completed classes but didn't graduate in a dispute about a book has received her high school diploma.

The News Journal in Mansfield said the Mount Vernon superintendent presented Reba Williams with the diploma Wednesday at her apartment in Columbus. She even got to wear a traditional graduation cap brought by the retired Mount Vernon English teacher who urged the school board to award the diploma.

Williams has said she completed high school in Mount Vernon but was denied her diploma because she refused to read a final book assigned by a teacher. She'd read the book once and didn't want to read it again.

Wire services

Pakistan overturns bin Laden judgment

By Aqeel Ahmed

Associated Press

ABBOTTABAD, Pakistan — A Pakistani court reinstated in their jobs Thursday 17 health workers who were fired last year for allegedly participating in a CIA scheme to confirm the presence of Osama bin Laden in a town in northwest Pakistan, a defense lawyer said.

Lawyer Javed Awan said the court order affected 16 female health workers and one male whom a government health department suspended last year for failing to inform authorities about Pakistani doctor Shakil Afridi's fake vaccination campaign.

The health workers insist they did not know Afridi was working for the CIA.

The campaign aimed to collect blood samples from bin Laden's family to show that the al-Qaida leader was in the northern town of Abbottabad, where he was later killed in a U.S. raid in May 2011. Pakistan considered the raid a violation of the country's sovereignty.

Afridi was sentenced to more than three decades in prison for ties to militants. But it is widely believed that he was punished for his role in the raid. Afridi's lawyer and his family have said he is innocent.

Awan said the 17 had been directed by senior health officials to participate in the vaccination campaign, and that they were innocent of wrongdoing. "The court has done justice to them," he said.

Across the world

Egypt

Soccer fans charged in crackdown

CAIRO — Egyptian prosecutors have charged 38 members of a die-hard soccer fan club with belonging to an illegal group and other offenses, one of the first signs of a crackdown on the powerful sports organizations that have been at the forefront of the country's protest movement, lawyers said Thursday.

President Mohamed Morsi, meanwhile, reached out to the city of Port Said, plunged into unrest by recent court verdicts related to a 2012 soccer riot. He promised to "preserve the rights of the people" and discover the "real criminal" behind violence in the Mediterranean port.

Soccer fans, known as Ultras, became a major political force during the uprising that toppled Hosni Mubarak in 2011 and the subsequent tumultuous transition. They are known for long-standing animosity toward the police.

Report blames Hamas for killings

CAIRO — A report by a state-owned Egyptian weekly magazine Thursday accused the Palestinian militant movement Hamas of carrying out one of the bloodiest attacks against the Egyptian army in years — the killing of 16 soldiers in the Sinai Peninsula in August. Hamas' military wing angrily accused Egypt's state media of spreading "flagrant lies."

It was not possible to verify contents of the report. The magazine Al-Ahram al-Arabi is closely connected to security agencies, and Egypt's military has a strained relationship with President

CHRISTIAN CHURCH REPORTEDLY TORCHED

TRIPOLI — Witnesses say that unidentified assailants torched a church used by Egyptian Christians in Libya's eastern city of Benghazi on Thursday, a week after scores of Christians were detained and reportedly abused by militias there over alleged proselytization.

Flames were seen rising from the church, witnesses said. The Egyptian Foreign Ministry issued a statement condemning what it described as "assault," and that the church's priest was not inside and is unhurt.

Abdel-Salam al-Bargathi, a security official in Benghazi, said his forces stopped angry men from doing more damage to the church. He says they were angry about a protest by Christians in front of the Libyan Embassy in Cairo, where they set fire to the Libyan flag.

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by Monday, just two days before Barack Obama is to arrive for his first visit as U.S. president.

Significant progress on talks on the peace front could prove to be more difficult than other domestic issues, given bitter disagreements among coalition members as well as deep differences with the Palestinians.

Nonetheless, Netanyahu's senior partner, the centrist Yesh Atid party, is vowing to at least make an effort to restart negotiations. The peace process remained frozen throughout Netanyahu's previous four-year term, with his right-wing bloc partnered with other hard-line and ultraorthodox factions.

"We have to begin talks with the Palestinians immediately. We need to sit at the negotiation table. We haven't sat there for four years," Yael German of Yesh Atid told Israel's Army Radio.

Farming

USDA's March 1 corn stocks estimate will be key gauge of upcoming use

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The following is some very timely information from Darrel Good, Agricultural Economist with the University of Illinois. It was published in the March 11, 2013 issue of Weekly Outlook, University of Illinois Extension, and can be found at <http://www.farmdoc.illinois.edu/marketing/weekly/html/031113.html>:

On March 28, the USDA will release an estimate of U.S. corn stocks as of March 1, 2013. That estimate is based on a survey of all commercial storage facilities and a large sample of farmers.

The estimate will be used to gauge the pace of domestic feed and residual use of corn during the second quarter of the 2012-13 marketing year. In addition the magnitude of stocks on March 1 will reveal the supply of corn available for consumption during the last half of the marketing year and will serve as the basis for judging the pace of consumption as it unfolds over the next several months.

Forming an expectation for the magnitude of stocks on March 1 starts with the estimate of December 1, 2012 stocks of 8.03 billion bushels. To that is added the estimate of imports during the December-February quarter. Imports have been unusually large so far in the 2012-13 marketing year, with the Census Bureau estimating imports in the first quarter of the marketing year at 29 million bushels. Estimates for December and January totaled about 35 million bushels. Imports for the entire second quarter may have been near 50 million bushels, bringing total available supplies to 8.08 billion bushels.

The estimate of corn consumption during the quarter is subtracted from the estimate of total supply in order to forecast March 1 stocks. Corn is consumed in three categories: exports, domestic processing (mostly for ethanol and by-products), and feed and residual use. The USDA reported that export inspections during

the second quarter of the marketing year totaled 155 million bushels. Census Bureau export estimates for December and January exceeded export inspection estimates by a total of 5 million bushels. If that margin persisted through February, exports during the quarter totaled about 160 million bushels, the smallest quarterly total in 42 years.

Based on weekly estimates from the U.S. Energy Information Agency, domestic ethanol production during the second quarter of the 2012-13 corn marketing year was 15 percent less than during the same quarter a year earlier. That level of production implies that about 1.11 billion bushels of corn were used to produce ethanol and by-products during the quarter. Other domestic processing uses of corn during the quarter likely totaled about 325 million bushels. That estimate is consistent with the pace of use during the first quarter of the marketing year and with the USDA's forecast for the entire year. Corn used for all domestic processing during the second quarter was likely near 1.435 billion bushels.

Forming expectations about feed and residual use of corn is more difficult than expectations for the other two categories. There are no on-going measures of feed use of corn. Consumption in this category is calculated as a residual, starting with

total use during the quarter as implied by quarter-ending stocks, and then subtracting estimated use in the other two categories. As a result, there is considerable variation in quarterly estimates of feed and residual use of corn over time. On an annual basis, the USDA suggests that there is a positive correlation between crop size and residual consumption of corn which further complicates the formation of expectations. For any particular quarter, forecasts of consumption prior to the release of the stocks estimate is based on a combination of the implied rate of consumption in the previous quarter, the level of livestock production and inventories, and consideration of the use of other feed ingredients.

For the 2012-13 marketing year, the estimate of feed and residual use during the first quarter of the year may be overstated since large quantities of 2012 corn were harvested and presumably used before the start of the marketing year on September 1. Conversely, the estimate of use during the fourth quarter of the 2011-12 marketing year was likely underestimated for the same reason. To gauge the pace of recent consumption we have looked at combined consumption in the last quarter of the previous marketing year and the first quarter of the current marketing year. Implied feed and residual use of corn during those two quarters was nearly five percent larger than in the same two quarters in the previous year.

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Converting land may affect benefits

Attention producers, landowners!

■ Do you intend to clear timber areas to create or to expand existing crop areas?

■ Are you converting a pasture field into a crop field?

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■ Is there a wet spot in a field that you want to drain to make cropping easier?

■ Are you disturbing a wildlife habitat area of any type?

■ Are you doing anything different on your farm(s) this year?

These are Highly Erodible and Wetlands provision questions that need to be considered each year by producers to assure that they may remain eligible for USDA benefits. If you have any question or concern that something you plan to do on your farm could jeopardize your eligibility for benefits, please contact the NRCS representative before you begin work.

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FROM THE COVER

Scientists confident of 'God particle' finding

The Associated Press

GENEVA — Scientists working at the world's biggest atom smasher near Geneva have announced they are confident that the new subatomic particle discovered last summer is a version of the long-sought Higgs boson. The particle bears key attributes of the so-called "God particle" that was theorized nearly a half-century ago as fundamental to the creation of the universe. It took thousands of scientists from around the world to hunt the particle in the atom-smasher operated by CERN, the European Organization for Nuclear Research.

WHAT EXACTLY IS THE GOD PARTICLE?

Everything is made of atoms, inside of which are electrons, protons and neutrons. And those, in turn, are made of quarks and other subatomic particles. Scientists have wondered how these tiny building blocks of the universe acquire mass. Without mass, the particles wouldn't hold together — and there would be no matter.

One theory proposed by British physicist Peter Higgs and teams in Belgium and the United States nearly a half-century ago is that a new particle must be creating a "sticky" energy field that acts as a drag on other particles. The atom-smashing

experiments have now confirmed that this particle exists in a form that is similar to — but perhaps not exactly like — what was proposed.

WHAT IF ANY PRACTICAL RESULTS MIGHT COME FROM THE SEARCH?

None directly. But the massive scientific effort that led up to the discovery paid off in other ways, including the creation of the World Wide Web. CERN scientists developed it to make it easier to exchange information among each other. The vast computing power needed to crunch all of the data produced by the atom smasher also boosted the development of distributed — or cloud — computing.

COUNTY

from 1A

An estimated 5,744 people there had jobs while 485 were unemployed.

Unemployment rates fell in 83 Kentucky counties between January 2012 and January 2013, while 33 county rates increased and four stayed the same.

Woodford County recorded the lowest jobless rate in the state at 5.9 percent while Magoffin County recorded the highest rate at 18.8 percent.

Unemployment statistics are based on estimates and are compiled to measure trends rather than actually to count people working. Civilian labor force statistics include nonmilitary workers and unemployed Kentuckians who are actively seeking work.

Mother, two children found dead



CHRISTOPHER FRYER / ASSOCIATED PRESS

Emergency officials work the scene of a homicide investigation along Falling Run Creek in Binford Park in New Albany on Wednesday evening. New Albany police are conducting a homicide investigation after the bodies of a woman and two children were found in the creek. Investigators are treating the deaths as homicides despite the lack of any obvious signs of foul play.

Police suspect foul play; bodies in shallow creek

The Associated Press

NEWALBANY, Ind. — A mother and her two children who were found dead in a shallow creek in southern Indiana had recently moved from Washington state, police said Thursday.

New Albany police Maj. Keith Whitlow said in a statement the victims had been identified as 35-year-old Jamie Clutter, her 10-year-old son Brandon Clutter, and her

6-month-old daughter Katelyn Clutter.

Whitlow said the family moved in December to an apartment in New Albany, an Indiana city less than a mile north of Louisville.

The mother and children's bodies were found Wednesday. Floyd County Coroner Leslie Knable said autopsies were performed Thursday and she plans to release details concerning the deaths today.

Police said further

testing is needed to determine the exact cause of the deaths. Knable said there were no visible injuries.

Whitlow did not immediately respond to messages Thursday from The Associated Press, but he has said that investigators are treating the deaths as homicides despite the lack of any obvious signs of foul play. Investigators have not identified any suspects.

A person walking through Binford Park in

New Albany spotted the bodies in Falling Run Creek on Wednesday evening, Whitlow said. The creek is 12 to 18 inches deep. Whitlow did not have an estimate of how long the bodies had been in the creek.

WHAS-TV reported no vehicles were found near the bodies.

It's been nine years since a body was found in Binford Park, located in the center of the city.

"We haven't had many ones like this, especially with children," Whitlow told the News and Tribune.

BREAKFAST

from 1A

issue has huge financial ramifications for local governments. "We continue to pay our full bill and we continue to get an unfunded liability from the state," Austin said, noting that the state has passed along a \$30 million deficit that the city has to carry on its balance sheet "and make it look like the city is busted."

"At the end of the day it affects our bond ratings," Ridley said.

Watkins said he's not so sure about the possibility of a special session on pension reform. "I don't think the heart is there for a special session. There really isn't a great deal of desire to have that."

Redistricting hasn't gone much of anywhere yet, Watkins said, although from the movement he's seen it looks like he will continue to represent Henderson County "and also a little area of Daviess County, should that indeed be accepted eventually." But so far, he said, the Senate doesn't seem that interested in taking up the issue.

Ridley said he hopes to have redistricting accomplished before the end of the year so it won't muddle

up the 2014 session of the General Assembly. But, he pointed out, it's the governor's prerogative to call a special session. "It needs to be done, it will be done and if we don't do it, the courts will. I'm ready to tee it up now."

As for the dispute between Big Rivers and the Rio Tinto Alcan and Century aluminum smelters, Ridley said both he and Watkins would like to "jump in there and bring two folks together" because a negative outcome would be devastating to the area, but both said they see little that can be done in Frankfort. "The entire thing that's going on is certainly not a legislative issue," Ridley said, because it is essentially a contractual dispute that is not easily solved by the political process.

But Ridley said he is an optimist and "I think you'll see these groups come together."

As for the larger outlook, Ridley said, "We'll cool off in the next few days. It's really just a matter of coming together and trying to find some common ground. That's called compromise. I think that's a good word and I think that politically that's what we've got to do to address some of these issues."

SCHOOL

from 1A

travel expenses, reimbursements for retirement contributions and use of a school district vehicle—all of which are considered public information under state law.

Edelen said he hopes the information will encourage school boards to keep better tabs on a superintendent's contract and spending.

Last week, Edelen's office alleged that former Dayton Independent Schools superintendent Gary Rye was reimbursed \$146,276 for retirement-related benefits not in his contract. Rye was improperly paid \$47,429 for sick and annual leave days, charged \$21,464 to a

district gas credit card for his personal vehicle and received thousands of dollars in expenses for meetings he didn't attend or never occurred, the audit report said.

Edelen said the unapproved benefits and payments spanned eight years and amounted to \$240 per student in the district, which is across the Ohio River from Cincinnati in Campbell County.

Rye has not been charged with a crime. But the auditor's findings were turned over to the FBI. The Associated Press was unable to reach Rye's attorney, Jon Alig, for comment. Alig also declined to comment to The Associated Press last week, saying he hadn't read the auditor's report.

MUELLER

from 1A

Mueller pulled a gun and that they heard Bell yell to shoot him and then saw Mueller do it. Mueller's cousin, Dylan Knott, testified that he was living with them at the time and that before the robbery he overheard Bell and Mueller talking to somebody on the telephone about Watt. Knott said he smoked marijuana with Bell on the morning after Watt's death and that Bell told him Mueller shot Watt.

Angie Mueller also testified that Mueller told her they got the gun from a man named Tim Rice when they stopped on New York Avenue. Rice, currently in prison for dealing cocaine, was brought to court and testified he did not give them a gun.

Defense attorney Dennis Vowels argued that Angie Mueller's testimony was motivated by her desire for Bell not to go prison because he is the father of her children. He said Kohlmeyer's testimony also was motivated by self-interest.

Bell testified that after the shooting he did not smoke marijuana with

Knott. He said that after the shooting Mueller directed them to destroy their cellphones and they disposed of the broken phones and clothes in alleys.

However, Vowels noted that Bell initially lied to police about where the gun was thrown before finally telling them, as he testified in court, that Mueller threw it in Pigeon Creek at the Ohio Street bridge. Police never found the gun.

"I don't know who to believe," Vowels said.

During the trial jurors heard testimony from a Delaware Street resident who said she heard the shot, looked outside and saw a group of people standing around a body before getting into a vehicle and leaving. She said she also heard a woman say, "It serves him right for ripping me off" and saw her pull down Watt's pants.

Burkett argued that while there was some variance in witnesses' testimony, that they all agreed Mueller shot Watt.

He also said that if Angie Mueller had wanted to protect Bell she could have done it without also testifying against her brother if she had instead blamed Kohlmeyer.

GOP tells Obama to tone down attacks

Republicans insist on changes to Medicare

By David Espo
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Polite yet firm, Senate Republicans told President Barack Obama on Thursday to tone down his political attacks and prod Democratic allies to support controversial changes in Medicare if he wants a compromise reducing deficits and providing stability to federal benefit programs.

Participants at a 90-minute closed-door meeting said Obama acknowledged the point without yielding ground — and noted that

Republicans criticize him freely. "To quote an old Chicago politician, 'Politics ain't beanbag,'" the president said.

The discussion came as Obama wrapped up a highly publicized round of meetings with rank-and-file lawmakers in both parties and both houses of Congress in hopes of building support for a second-term agenda of deficit reduction, immigration overhaul and gun control.

Obama met with Senate Republicans and House Democrats as legislation to lock in

\$85 billion in spending cuts and avert a government shutdown later this month made plodding progress in Congress and the two parties advanced rival longer-term budgets in both houses.

No breakthroughs had been anticipated and none were reported in the closed-door sessions, although Obama told reporters before returning to the White House, "We're making progress."

In the Senate, several Republicans told the president his rhetoric was not conducive to compromise.

Sen. John Thune of

South Dakota referred to a recent interview in which Obama said some Republicans want to eviscerate Social Security, Medicare and Medicaid. "Nobody here believes those programs ought to be gutted," Thune told Obama, the senator later recalled.

"It's better if the president is here fully engaged with us than traveling around the country saying Congress isn't doing its job," Sen. John Barrasso of Wyoming later told reporters, summarizing comments he and others had made. "The president needs to be here working side by side with Congress."

Sports

Cards cruise past Villanova

■ Saddened Smith scores 28 as Louisville triumphs 74-55 to reach Big East semifinals

By Mike Fitzpatrick

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Russ Smith figured the best way he could honor Jack Curran on Thursday night was by leading Louisville to a win.

Smith scored 28 points in a bittersweet homecoming, carrying the fourth-ranked Cardinals into the Big East tournament semifinals with a 74-55 victory over Villanova only hours after the death of his esteemed high school coach.

"Today was definitely Coach Curran day for me, and it will be the rest of my life," he said.

Smith and the defending champion Cardinals (27-5) harassed Villanova into 25 turnovers and advanced to play Notre Dame or Marquette in the late game Friday night at Madison Square Garden.

Luke Hancock added 12 points off the bench for second-seeded Louisville, which has won eight straight — seven by at least 14 points. Peyton Siva, the tournament MVP last year, scored 10.

After the game, the Cardinals received a surprise visit from President Bill Clinton. A longtime basketball fan, he and coach Rick Pitino have been friendly since Pitino was at Kentucky and introduced Clinton on campus.

"We got the chance to take a lot of pictures. It was a big treat for our guys," Pitino said. "It was a lot of fun. ... He was just telling a lot of stories."

Jay Vaughn Pinkston had 21 points for the seventh-seeded Wildcats (20-13), confident they'll receive an at-large bid to the NCAA tournament Sunday thanks to a string of high-profile wins against top-notch opponents this season. Mouphatou Yarou added 13 points and 11 rebounds.

"I think we've got a good enough resume, but

I haven't followed it to know it well enough," Villanova coach Jay Wright said. "We'll regroup on Saturday, and then we'll see where we are."

Back home in New York, Smith received sad news early in the day about Curran, the longtime coaching great at Archbishop Molloy High School, who died Thursday at 82. He was among the nation's winningest prep coaches in basketball and baseball.

"It was really hard for me for about 45 minutes when I was on the bus crying and stuff," Smith said. "It was almost heartbreaking to think about it."

"I'm going to miss him. He was everything to me, and to my mom, my family. He treated everyone with respect. He taught me a lot of things."

Pitino huddled his players after their morning shootaround and told them about Curran's death, then led the team in a prayer.

"Russ had a heavy heart tonight," said Pitino, who also called Curran a good friend. "I just told Russ we have to play this tournament and the NCAAs for Coach Curran. Coach Curran really enjoyed coaching Russ, and I really enjoy coaching Russ, but we both knew what he was all about. So it's very exciting that Russ could have that type of game and honor his coach like that."

A first-team All-Big East selection, Smith was his usual frenetic self on the court, an energetic whirlwind of speed and steals and jump shots to go along with his maddening turnovers and wild drives to the basket. He hit 10 of 11 free throws and shot 7 of 12 from the field, including 4 for 6 from 3-point range.

The 6-foot junior guard went diving past photographers in pursuit of a loose ball less than 2 minutes in and crashed hard into the



Villanova's Darrun Hilliard, center, looks to pass away from Louisville's Kevin Ware, left, and Luke Hancock during the second half of their game at the Big East Conference tournament on Thursday night in New York. The Cardinals won 74-55.

basket support when he was fouled on a fast-break dunk attempt. Smith hurt his ankle and came up limping, but stayed in the game.

He had seven points and one of Louisville's eight steals in the first half as the feisty Cardinals forced Villanova into a whopping 18 turnovers before the break, including six in the first 3:31. The 25 total turnovers for the Wildcats, who were averaging 15.4 per game, matched a season high.

"We couldn't get the ball over halfcourt," Wright said. "Their guards were in us, man. They did a heck of a job. That takes a lot of effort. They were very, very good."

Pressing and trapping all over the court, Louisville tipped balls, forced tie-ups, got 5-second calls and created all kinds of general havoc for the flustered Wildcats, who wound up using several timeouts in tight spots just to prevent potential give-aways.

"Their guards completely dominated the game," Wright said. "That's our weakness as a team. We don't have that jet guard that can just break down a defense. ... I think our inexperience as a team definitely showed."

Pitino's team is wearing new uniforms specially designed for March Madness, featuring a funky print and short sleeves on the jerseys. The Cardinals took to their unusual digs just fine.

Vandy tops Arkansas in SEC tourney

■ 'Dores will face Wildcats tonight in quarterfinals

By Teresa M. Walker

Associated Press

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Kedren Johnson hit all four of his free throws in the final 19.8 seconds, and the 10th-seeded Vanderbilt Commodores upset No. 7 seed Arkansas 75-72 Thursday night in their first chance at defending their Southeastern Conference tournament championship.

The Commodores (15-16) lost the top six players off that title team with three now playing in the NBA. They will play No. 2 seed Kentucky in the quarterfinals Friday night in a rematch of last year's championship game.

Arkansas (19-13) lost for the 12th time in 13 games away from Fayetteville including three times on neutral courts. Not even the fans calling the hogs helped it feel enough like home as the Razorbacks last led at 7-4.

Rod Odom led Vanderbilt with 20 points, Kyle Fuller had 19, Johnson finished with 13 and Dai-Jon Parker 11.

BJ Young led Arkansas with 16 points. Marshawn Powell had 13 before fouling out late and Michael Qualls added 10.



Arkansas forward Coty Clarke (4) shoots against Vanderbilt forward Sheldon Jeter (21) during the first half of their game at the Southeastern Conference tournament on Thursday night in Nashville, Tenn. Vanderbilt beat Arkansas 75-72.

These young Commodores made it way too interesting as Arkansas clawed its way back, trimming a 59-43 lead to 70-68 on a pair of free throws by Young with 50.9 seconds left. Then Vanderbilt, which had hit as many 3-pointers in the second half as free throws (6 of 15), hit 5 of 6 at the line in clinching the win in the final 19.8 seconds.

Vanderbilt finished 17 of 30 at the line.

Only three of the current Commodores even averaged more than three minutes a game on last season's

team, and the growing pains were very obvious all of this season as the Commodores racked up 10 close losses in the SEC including one in overtime, two by four points, one by two points and a pair of road games by a point.

But the Commodores now have won five of their last six, and they used their shooting prowess beyond the arc. Vanderbilt ranks eighth out of 347 Division I teams, taking 43.6 percent of its shots from 3-point range, and third nationally scoring 38.5 percent of its points off 3s.

■ Tennessee 69, Mississippi St. 53: Jordan McRae scored 17 points Thursday as fifth-seeded Tennessee defeated No. 13 seed Mississippi State 69-53 in the second round of the Southeastern Conference tournament.

Tennessee (20-11) won for the ninth time in its last 10 games to advance to a Friday quarterfinal against No. 4 seed Alabama (20-11) in a matchup of NCAA tournament bubble teams. Tennessee and Alabama split their regular-season matchups, with the home team winning each time.

Trae Golden had 15 points and Jarnell Stokes and Quinton Chievous added 10 points apiece for Tennessee. Chievous' 10 points represented a career high for the redshirt freshman.

Craig Sword scored 19 points, Colin Borcherdt had 12 and Trivante Bloodman added 10 for Mississippi State (10-22). The Bulldogs entered the SEC tournament with only six scholarship players.

Mississippi State scored the first four points of the game, but Tennessee answered with a 12-0 run and never looked back.

■ LSU 68, Georgia 63: Shavon Coleman scored 24 points, and the LSU Tigers held off Georgia 68-63 Thursday to give first-year coach Johnny Jones a win in his Southeastern Conference tournament debut.

LSU, which started league play by losing its first four games, now has won three of four. The Tigers (19-11) will play No. 13 Florida in the quarterfinals Friday.

Georgia (15-17) has lost two straight. The Bulldogs trailed by as much as 23 before whittling away LSU's lead. They used a 12-3 run to pull within 66-63 with 28.5 seconds left. Andre Stringer hit two free throws to finish off the win after Kentavious Caldwell-Pope hit off the rim from 25 feet away.

Caldwell-Pope had 25 of his career-high 32 points in the second half trying to bring Georgia back. He also had 13 rebounds.



■ Cousins concern: Former Kentucky star DeMarcus Cousins' behavior is overshadowing his talent with the NBA's Kings. **3B**

Greenwell scores 32 as Aces romp in Sweet 16

The Associated Press

BOWLING GREEN — Owensboro Catholic's Rebecca Greenwell scored 32 points as the Lady Aces beat Lincoln County 66-53 in the first round of the KHSAA Girls Sweet 16 at Diddle Arena.

The Duke signee also recorded 12 rebounds, three assists and three steals in helping Owensboro Catholic to its first ever Sweet 16 win on Thursday. Kaylyn Pearson added 15 points and 11 rebounds.

The Region 3 champion Lady Aces (24-7) finished 31-of-40 from the free throw line. The Lady Patriots (27-6) shot just six free throws, making four.

Sydney Harris led Lincoln County with 18 points and seven rebounds. Emily Fox added 13 points, four assists and three rebounds for the Region 12 champions.

■ Lou. Manual 74, Lou. Mercy 60: DuPont Manual's Kayla Styles scored 17 points in leading the Lady Crimsons to a 74-60 win over Mercy in the first round of the KHSAA Girls Sweet 16 at Diddle Arena.

The Lady Crimsons advance to play Region 3 champion Owensboro Catholic in Friday's quarterfinals.

Styles flirted with a triple-double Thursday, also tallying nine rebounds and seven assists. Morgan Allen and Aricka Prentice added 14 points apiece for the Region 7 champions.

Assistant Tim Holman coached Manual. He was filling in as head coach Stacy Pendleton continued a three-game suspension stemming from an ejection in the region semifinals.

■ Marshall Co. 56, Letcher Co. Central 52: Marshall County's Taylor Meadows scored 18 points Thursday night to lead the Lady Marshals to a 56-52 win over Letcher County Central in the first round of the KHSAA Girls Sweet 16 at Diddle Arena.

Marshall County (27-9) recovered from a four-point third quarter by outscoring the Lady Cougars 21-12 in the fourth quarter. Letcher County Central's Kelah Eldridge had a chance to tie the game at 54 in the last minute, but her jump shot with 9 seconds left was no good.

Mariah McKenty added four rebounds, three assists and three steals for the Region 1 champion Lady Marshals.

Cols fall in opener 7-4 to Caldwell

Gleaner staff

PRINCETON — The Henderson County Colonels lost their baseball season opener 7-4 at Caldwell County on Thursday night.

The Colonels collected eight hits and committed three errors. The Tigers scored their seven runs on just four hits and committed four errors.

Colton Jones started and went the first four innings for the Colonels and took the loss. He allowed three runs, all unearned, and struck out five. Darby Hiser pitched two innings and allowed four runs and four walks.

Daniel Steiner and Caleb Duckworth had two hits each for the Colonels.

The Colonels play at Christian County on Saturday at 11 a.m.

SPORTS

Briefs

Kim wins in short program

LONDON, Ontario — Kim Yuna reminded everyone of what they'd been missing Thursday, winning the short program in her first appearance at the World Figure Skating Championships since 2011.

Kim showed no signs of rust or nerves, performing with the same elegance and class that won her the Olympic gold in Vancouver — and pretty much every other title the two years before that. With a score of 69.97, she's more than three points ahead of defending world champion Carolina Kostner (66.86) and Kanako Murakami of Japan (66.64) going into Saturday's free skate.

Longtime rival Mao Asada is sixth despite landing her trademark triple axel. She botched her jump combination and popped her triple loop into a single.

U.S. champion Ashley Wagner is fifth while Gracie Gold is ninth.

NHL governors okay realignment

NEW YORK — NHL owners have made it official: The Detroit Red Wings and Columbus Blue Jackets are heading east.

The league announced Thursday that its board of governors approved a realignment plan that will be put into effect next season. The new format will feature two eight-team divisions in the Eastern Conference, and two seven-team divisions in the West.

That means Detroit and Columbus will switch conferences by moving into the East, while the Winnipeg Jets will move into the Western Conference.

The top three seeds in each division will qualify for the playoffs. The next two teams with the best records in each conference will earn wild-card playoff berths.

The NHL Players' Association signed off on the realignment format, which will be in place for at least three seasons.

Drake fires coach Phelps

DES MOINES, Iowa — Drake has fired basketball coach Mark Phelps after five seasons.

Athletic director Sandy Hatfield Clubb announced the move Thursday, a week after the Bulldogs were knocked out of the Missouri Valley tournament.

Phelps was hired to replace Keno Davis, who led the Bulldogs to the Valley title in 2008. But Phelps couldn't keep Drake near the top of the league standings.

Bulldogs star Rayvonte Rice transferred to Illinois before the season, and Drake stumbled to a 15-17 finish.

Phelps leaves Drake with a record of 77-86. The Bulldogs never posted 20 wins under Phelps and only twice finished above .500 overall.

Ball State fires Taylor

MUNCIE, Ind. — Ball State has fired coach Billy Taylor less than 24 hours after losing to Buffalo in the Mid-American Conference tournament.

There had been speculation all season that Taylor was on his way out, but when the Cardinals won five straight and seven of eight to advance to Cleveland in the tourney, some thought Taylor may have saved his job.

The Cardinals were 15-15, including 8-8 in conference play. Taylor went 84-99 in six seasons.

Athletic director Bill Scholl called it a "difficult decision" and said a search would begin immediately.

Taylor was hired in 2007 to clean up a program coming off of a school-record 22-loss season, awaiting an NCAA ruling and had been tainted by the former coach's accusations that racially-charged letters had been left underneath his office door.

Wire reports

Hoyas cruise past Bearcats

■ Syracuse knocks out Pittsburgh in the Big East

Wire reports

Otto Porter Jr. scored 18 points and fifth-ranked Georgetown advanced to the Big East tournament semifinals by pulling away from Cincinnati for a 62-43 victory Thursday.

Markel Starks had 14 points and reserve D'Vautes Smith-Rivera added 13, including a tie-breaking 3-pointer that sparked a game-turning run for the top-seeded Hoyas (25-5).

Georgetown, looking to land a No. 1 seed in the NCAA tournament, squandered an early 16-point cushion and fell behind briefly in the second half before clamping down with its signature defense.

Georgetown, looking for its first title since 2007, improved to 15-1 as the top seed in the Big East tournament. The only loss came against West Virginia in the 2010 championship game.

Porter, the Big East Player of the Year, made all 11 of his free throws — most of them in the final minutes — to offset a 3-for-9 performance from the field.

Cashmere Wright hit 4 3-pointers and scored 14 points for ninth-seeded Cincinnati (22-11).

■ **Syracuse 62, Pittsburgh 59:** James Southerland had a second straight great effort from 3-point range and Michael Carter-Williams scored Syracuse's last seven points as the 19th-ranked Orange held off Pittsburgh in the quarterfinals of the Big East tournament.

Southerland had 20 points as he did in the second-round win over Seton Hall. The senior was 6 for 6 on 3s against Pittsburgh, a day after going 6 for 9 from beyond the arc against Seton Hall.

Carter-Williams had 11 points and seven assists for the fifth-seeded Orange (25-8), who will meet top-seeded Georgetown in the semifinals Friday night.

Lamar Patterson had 14 points and 11 rebounds for the fourth-seeded Panthers (24-8).

■ **Michigan 83, Penn St. 66:** Trey Burke scored 21 points to lead Michigan over Penn State in the first round of the Big Ten tournament, avenging a shocking loss to the Nittany Lions during the regular season.

Tim Hardaway Jr. and



Georgetown's Otto Porter Jr. (22) shoots over Cincinnati's Sean Kilpatrick (23) and JaQuon Parker during the first half of their game at the Big East Conference tournament on Thursday in New York.

Nik Stauskas each added 15 points for the Wolverines (26-6), who will play fourth-seeded Wisconsin in the quarterfinals Friday.

Freshman reserve Mitch McGary chipped in with 10 points and 11 rebounds, helping Michigan to a 28-15 advantage in second-chance points.

D.J. Newbill scored 20 points for Penn State (10-21), which faded after a fast start. Sasa Borovnjak scored 10 of his 15 points in the first half, and Ross Travis finished with 12 points and 11 rebounds for the Nittany Lions.

■ **Illinois 51, Minnesota 49:** Brandon Paul scored 25 points and hit a fadeaway jumper at the buzzer to lead Illinois to a 51-49 victory over Minnesota in the first round of the Big Ten tournament on Thursday.

Illinois (22-11) led by as much as 12 but was trailing by three when D.J. Richardson nailed a 3 with 47 seconds left to tie it at 49.

That basket came after the Illini missed four shots on the possession.

The Gophers (20-12) had a chance to win it, but Austin Hollins stepped on the sideline after catching an inbounds pass with 14 seconds left. Paul then raced up the court and pulled up for the winner as time expired.

■ **Nebraska 57, Purdue 55:** Shavon Shields scored 19 points, Brandon Ubel added 16 points and eight rebounds and Nebraska beat Purdue 57-55 Thursday in the first round of the Big Ten tournament.

The Cornhuskers (15-17)

hung on after Purdue's Terone Johnson missed two shots in the closing seconds and will meet No. 10 Ohio State in the quarterfinals on Friday.

■ **Kansas 91, Texas Tech 63:** Ben McLemore scored 24 points to lead Kansas to a rout of Texas Tech, setting up an intriguing date with Iowa State in the semifinals of the Big 12 tournament.

The regular-season co-champion, Kansas was pushed by Texas Tech in their meeting in Lubbock earlier this season, but used a big run early in the second half to put this one away early.

■ **Iowa State 73, Oklahoma 66:** Melvin Ejim had a double-double and Will Clyburn fueled a 12-0 second-half run, helping Iowa State survive an uncharacteristic 3-point drought to beat Oklahoma 73-66 on Thursday and end a seven-year losing streak in the Big 12 tournament.

The Cyclones, who led the country and set a school record with 309 3-pointers, missed 11 of their first 12 from behind the arc and fell 14 points behind.

■ **Kansas State 66, Texas 49:** Rodney McGruder scored 24 points and sparked an 11-0 run in the second half, lifting No. 11 Kansas State past Texas 66-49 on Thursday night in the quarterfinals of the Big 12 tournament.

An all-conference senior who ranks in the top 10 in 14 of Kansas State's career categories, McGruder also had a team-leading seven rebounds as

the second-seeded Wildcats (26-6) whipped the Longhorns for the third time this year.

■ **N.C. State 80, Virginia Tech 63:** Richard Howell scored 22 points with 12 rebounds while Lorenzo Brown led the defensive effort on league player of the year Erick Green to help North Carolina State beat Virginia Tech 80-63 in Thursday's first round of the Atlantic Coast Conference tournament.

C.J. Leslie scored 15 points for the fifth-seeded Wolfpack (23-9), who shot 52.8 percent (28 of 53) and took control with an 11-0 second-half run.

N.C. State led by 17 points after that spurt and never let the 12th-seeded Hokies (13-19) get the margin under double figures again.

■ **Boston College 84, Georgia Tech 64:** Oliver Hanlan set an Atlantic Coast Conference tournament record for freshmen with 41 points and Boston College beat Georgia Tech 84-64 on Thursday in the first round.

The ACC's rookie of the year had the highest-scoring game in the tournament by any player regardless of class since 1970 and broke the old mark of 40 set two years ago by North Carolina's Harrison Barnes.

■ **Maryland 75, Wake Forest 62:** Dez Wells scored 14 of his 21 points in the second half and Maryland beat pesky Wake Forest 75-62 on Thursday night in the first round of the Atlantic Coast Conference tournament.

■ **UTEP 80, Houston 69:** Julian Washburn led six UTEP players in double figures with 20 points and the Miners defeated Houston 80-69 on Thursday in the Conference USA tournament.

■ **Southern Miss 81, UAB 66:** Neil Watson scored 23 points and Dwayne Davis scored 20 to lead second-seeded Southern Mississippi to an 81-66 victory over UAB on Thursday in the quarterfinals of the Conference USA tournament.

■ **Butler 73, Dayton 67:** Rotnei Clarke scored 21 points, and Butler advanced at the Atlantic 10 tournament with a 73-67 first-round victory over Dayton on Thursday.

Falcons get Steven Jackson; Matt Cassel goes to Vikings

By Arnie Stapleton

Associated Press

The Atlanta Falcons replaced Michael Turner with another proven, productive running back.

Steven Jackson, the top running back in free agency, agreed to a three-year, \$12 million deal with the Falcons on Thursday.

Also getting new deals were backup quarterback Matt Cassel in Minnesota, pass rusher Cliff Avril in Seattle and cornerback Keenan Lewis in New Orleans. The New York Giants signed defensive backs Ryan Mundy and Aaron Ross.

And the Houston Texans were rolling out the red carpet to make their pitch to safety Ed Reed.

Day 3 of the NFL's free agency frenzy was highlighted by the 30-year-old Jackson moving on from St. Louis after his eighth straight 1,000-yard season.

"I think this is a very big signing for us," Falcons general manager Thomas Dimitroff told The Associated Press. "It continues

to bolster our offensive firepower. It gives us not only strength, power in running ability but also the versatility to catch out of the backfield, which is a very important part of this offense."

Jackson would have earned \$7 million with the Rams in 2013 before he opted out of his contract to become a free agent. His 10,135 yards rushing for his career are the most of any active player.

The Falcons released

Turner, defensive end John Abraham and cornerback Dunta Robinson on March 1.

Turner had 800 yards

rushing last season, his

low total in his five seasons

in Atlanta.

Jackson averaged 4.1

yards per carry with the

Rams and gives Falcons

quarterback Matt Ryan another receiver.

Jackson had at least 38 catches in each of his last eight seasons in St. Louis.

The Falcons have gone

on a spending spree for the second straight spring and on Thursday, Wes Welker, among the top prizes in this year's free agent class, was welcomed to town. He said that while he was sad to leave Tom Brady in New England, he was thrilled to join Peyton Manning in Denver.

The most productive receiver in the league over the past six seasons, Welker said he's also eager to team up with young 1,000-yard receivers Demaryius Thomas and Eric Decker to give the Broncos the "Three Amigos" Version 2.0.

The Patriots moved

quickly to replace Welker,

luring receiver Danny Amendola on a deal that

would reportedly pay him

\$31 million over five years.

Also Thursday, the

Patriots announced the

signing of running back

Leon Washington, who

has played seven seasons

with the New York Jets and

Seattle Seahawks.

Detroit's durable offen-

sive lineman, Jeff Backus,

announced his retirement

after 12 seasons with the

Lions.

The Broncos have gone

Wire reports

Shawn Stefani is the latest PGA Tour rookie to look comfortable on a big stage.

It just took him a little longer to get there.

In breezy conditions on a tough golf course, Stefani never came close to making a bogey until his final hole Thursday in the Tampa Bay Championship. He rolled in a par putt from just inside 5 feet to complete a 6-under 65 and take a two-shot lead over Brian Harman.

"Kind of fought through a couple of bad shots coming in — or not so great shots — and managed to get balls up-and-down and make a few putts," Stefani said. "So all in all, today was a great day and looking forward to getting out there tomorrow."

There's not many "bad" shots in a bogey-free round on the Copperhead course at Innisbrook, which some consider the best track on the Florida swing.

The course played just more than two shots over par. Only 13 players

broke 70, and 25 players broke par.

Harman came up short and into a bunker on the ninth hole and closed with his lone bogey for a 67. Harris English finished on the 18th and also hit into a bunker, except that he three-putted from 40 feet above the hole and had a double bogey. That gave him a 68, tied with Brendan Steele and Tag Ridings.

Geoff Ogilvy, at No. 49 in the world and needing to stay in the top 50 the next three weeks to get into the Masters, was in the large group at 69 that included Lucas Glover and a pair of past champions in Vijay Singh and K.J. Choi.

Stefani is a 31-year-old from the Houston area who finally made it to the PGA Tour by finishing 16th on the Web.com Tour money list.

■ **Avantha Masters:** Chinnarat Phadungsil of Thailand made eight birdies on the back nine Thursday to shoot an 11-under 61 for a five-stroke lead in the first round of the Avantha Masters.

SPORTS

What's to be done with Cousins?

■ Former Kentucky star's behavior is overshadowing his talent in NBA

By Aileen Voisin
Sacramento Bee

What do you do with DeMarcus Cousins? Seriously.

If he were a toddler, you would send him to time-out. If he were a middle-schooler, you would take away his Xbox. If he were a teenager, you would hide the keys to the family car.

But Cousins is 22 years old. He is supposed to be an adult. He has an infant of his own, for crying out loud. Yet his inability to control his impulses — primarily his anger — is dominating his otherwise productive third season, eroding relationships with teammates, alienating the league's entire officiating crew and frustrating, infuriating and confounding his coaches and Sacramento Kings officials alike.

And the fans? They want to know who took away the teddy bear. They want to know what happened to the impassioned, improving, expressive young center who a year ago earned an invitation to train with the U.S. Olympic team in Las Vegas.

Cousins' latest transgression -- elbowing Bucks forward Mike Dunleavy in the back of the head -- earned a fourth ejection and is likely to result in his fourth suspension of the

season. NBA vice president Stu Jackson probably has Geoff Petrie on speed dial. How many games does Cousins deserve this time? One? Two? Five? Is any of this even resonating?

"Actually, I was cool about it," Cousins said after practice this week. "I didn't know if he did it (low bridge) on purpose. That's what I asked him. 'Was that on purpose?' His response was, 'What if it was? What are you going to do about it?'

Trash-talking isn't the issue here, of course. Verbal jousting has been a part of basketball culture since the set shot. Michael Jordan and Larry Bird could have taught college courses on the subject.

But when it comes time to cool down, to shut up and to back away from opponents and referees, Cousins' alarm clock stays mute. His behavior pattern too often causes situations to escalate, resulting in fouls, ejections, suspensions. It kills good vibes and costs games. Then there are the other occasions when he simply becomes distracted and emotionally removes himself from games, when he becomes the victim and everyone else the villain.

"The whole situation was based on my reputation,



Sacramento Kings center DeMarcus Cousins, right, blocks the shot of Denver Nuggets guard Ty Lawson during an NBA game in Sacramento, Calif., on Tuesday, March 5.

which is unfair," Cousins continued. Asked if his elbow to Dunleavy's head was deliberate, he added, "It really wasn't. If you see the replay, it's not as hard as he acted out to be. I was just trying to get around the screen."

Cousins said this with a straight face. This was not one of those DeMarcus-being-funny moments. It was too sad to be funny.

A few minutes later, when Cousins' account of the incident was related to Isaiah Thomas, the Kings point guard couldn't stop grinning.

"He (Cousins) got him good," Thomas said, laughing. "That's all I've got to say. He got him with an elbow. Hopefully, his consequences aren't too bad.... You always feel if somebody (Dunleavy)

goes down low, they might have done it on purpose. But you've got to calm your nerves and be professional about it."

So again, what do you do with DeMarcus?

The options are limited. There should be another league-mandated suspension. Petrie undoubtedly will contact Cousins' agent, reach out to his mother and, once again, encourage his best player to undergo counseling. Coach Keith Smart will keep whispering in Cousins' ear.

But with 17 games remaining, these solutions are like placing Band-Aids on a massive wound. One game, two games, three games. That's not the answer. Cousins, who in fact has made tremendous strides in terms of conditioning and work ethic, needs to look in the mirror and see what everyone else sees. He needs to watch that replay again, and see what everyone else sees. And sometime in the very near future, he needs to reach out to Ron Artest.

The man known as Metta World Peace finally, finally came to terms with his mental-health issues. And it took how long? And how many suspensions later?

Maybe Metta can help. And maybe Cousins will listen before he destroys his career.

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Kelly throws four solid innings in Cardinal win

The Associated Press

JUPITER, Fla. — Joe Kelly and Shelby Miller are roommates and best friends, and come November they will serve as best man at each other's wedding just seven days apart.

These days, though, they are competing for the Cardinals' fifth starter spot. The loser will end up in the bullpen or back at Triple-A Memphis.

Kelly allowed three hits and one run in four solid innings and Miller allowed three runs in 2 2-3 innings Thursday in St. Louis' 5-4 win over the Atlanta Braves.

With the Cardinals wanting the three remaining spring training starts to go to the No. 5 starter, Thursday was likely the final opportunity for the candidates to show why they deserve the spot.

"Oh definitely, if he gets the fifth spot I'm not going to talk to him anymore," Miller said. "I'm kidding. It's not going to change anything. I'll be happy for him, but I'm sure if I got it he'll be just as happy for me."

Kelly has allowed just five hits and two earned runs in eight innings over three starts.

The former third-round draft pick by the Cardinals in 2009 got two double plays in his four innings and the only damage came on a two-out single from Braves leadoff man Jordan Schafer in the third that scored Jordan Parraz.

Miller allowed six hits and three runs but two of them scored after he departed the game.

"Joe came out and I thought that was probably the best he's been this spring," said manager Mike Matheny. "Shelby threw the ball pretty well, as well. It was a good day."

■ **Matheny returned to the club** Thursday after undergoing back surgery Monday in St. Louis.

Matheny was best with severe pain for several days, stemming from a ruptured disc in his back that caused particles to come into contact with a nerve. Surgeons found and removed four particles during a 90-minute procedure, known as a microdiscectomy.

"It was something, as much as I was going to try to put it off, it would not have gotten better on its own," Matheny said. "It had to be taken care of."

"I was impressed with how much better I felt right away. I still have a long way to go but definitely better."

Kobe getting treatment on sprained ankle

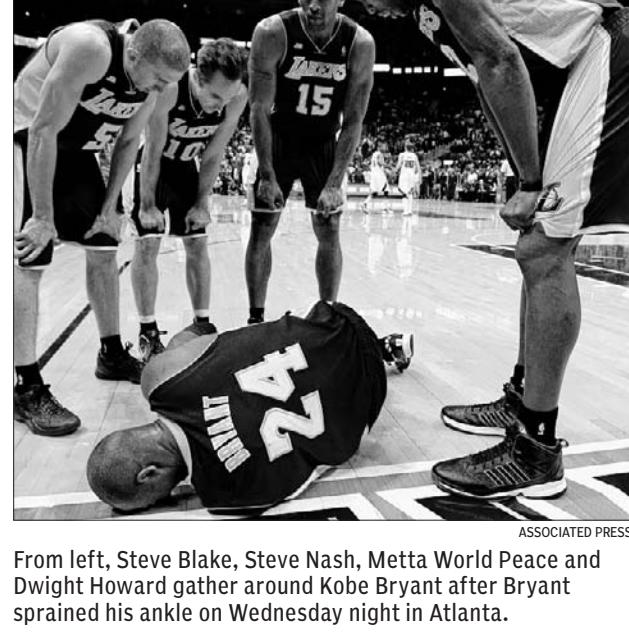
■ Lakers star says the injury worst of career

By Greg Beacham
Associated Press

Kobe Bryant got several hours of treatment on his sprained left ankle Thursday in hopes of staying on the court to continue the Los Angeles Lakers' playoff push.

The fifth-leading scorer in NBA history was hurt when he landed on the foot of Atlanta's Dahntay Jones with 3 seconds left in the Lakers' 96-92 loss to the Hawks on Wednesday night. Bryant rolled on the ground and left the court in anger and pain, later calling it the worst sprained ankle of his 17 NBA seasons.

Bryant tweeted Thursday that his ankle was "still very swollen. Treatment all day." The Lakers had the day off Thursday in Indianapolis, the final stop on their three-game road trip.



From left, Steve Blake, Steve Nash, Metta World Peace and Dwight Howard gather around Kobe Bryant after Bryant sprained his ankle on Wednesday night in Atlanta.

Bryant is still angry at Jones' questionable defensive tactics, too. Thursday's tweet included a hashtag: "cleanupthegame."

Lakers trainer Gary Vitti was scheduled to treat Bryant in the afternoon and again in the evening. Team

spokesman John Black said the Lakers wouldn't have an update on his condition until Friday, although Bryant tweeted a photo of his swollen ankle.

Although the team announced Bryant was out "indefinitely," those

familiar with Bryant's toughness won't assume he's missing any games until Kobe says so.

Los Angeles faces the Central Division-leading Pacers on Friday before returning home to host Sacramento on Sunday. With 17 wins in 23 games before their loss to Atlanta, the Lakers (34-32) are a half-game ahead of Utah (33-32) for the eighth playoff spot in the Western Conference.

Bryant is an uncommonly durable player who hasn't missed a game this season. He is the NBA's third-leading scorer with 27.5 points per game, keeping the Lakers afloat during a tumultuous year including the early firing of coach Mike Brown, a prolonged skid, All-Star center Dwight Howard's struggles to fit in with his new team, and the death of owner Jerry Buss.

Although Bryant has played through countless minor injuries to his ankles in recent years, he was particularly upset at Jones' tactics after this fall. Bryant thought Jones moved underneath him while Bryant

was in the air for a potential game-tying fadeaway jumper, leaving Bryant with nowhere to land.

Bryant coined another hashtag for it — "dangerousplay" — and later tweeted: "He knows what he did and anyone with half a brain can see it. I don't want it to happen to anyone else!"

Bryant and Jones have a history, too: Jones blatantly stuck out his leg to trip Bryant during Game 4 of the 2009 Western Conference finals while Jones played for the Denver Nuggets.

Bryant's new injury even got him thinking about an infamous foul by Jalen Rose 13 years ago. The Indiana guard purposely stepped underneath Bryant on a jumper and injured Bryant on the landing in Game 2 of the 2000 NBA finals.

When Jones tweeted that Bryant was partly to blame for sticking out his legs on his jumper, Bryant responded with his own interpretation of his style: "17yrs. Countless fades. This has happened TWICE. Jalen and now."

Hamlin won't appeal fine for criticizing NASCAR's new car

By Jenna Fryer
Associated Press

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Denny Hamlin and NASCAR settled their censorship flap Thursday when he announced he would not appeal the \$25,000 fine levied against him for criticizing the new Gen-6 car.

But Hamlin held his ground on refusing to pay the fine. NASCAR said the fine will be settled per the rule book, which allows the sanctioning body to garnish the money from a driver's race winnings.

"Dragging myself, my team and NASCAR through the mud for the next 2 weeks would not be good for anyone," Hamlin posted on Twitter. "I firmly believe I am in the right on this issue and will stand behind my decision not to pay. I understand NASCAR will do what they feel is necessary based on my decision."

NASCAR does have the option to suspend Hamlin until he pays the fine, but said in its statement it

considers the matter closed.

It remains to be seen how fans of the series react.

The backlash against NASCAR was fast and furious when Hamlin was fined last week for criticizing the car after his third-place run at Phoenix. It was the second race for the new car, and Hamlin said, "I don't want to be the pessimist, but it did not race as good as our generation five cars. This is more like what the generation five was at the beginning."

Informed of the fine during a test at Las Vegas, Hamlin angrily said he would be suspended before he'd pay the \$25,000.

Upon learning he could appeal the fine, he announced his intention to do so and Joe Gibbs Racing indicated it backed its driver.

The issue is a sensitive one for NASCAR, which spent the last year developing the Gen-6 car with heavy input from the manufacturers to improve the on-track product. Drivers have been asked to be

careful in how they publicly discuss the car, and NASCAR has put together a big marketing effort in an attempt to avoid the poor reception the previous model received.

Fans never warmed up to the "Car of Tomorrow" in part because drivers panned it from the very beginning. Kyle Busch won the debut race in the "Car of Tomorrow" and then criticized it in Victory Lane.

Fans — even those who don't root for Hamlin — rallied to his defense. At the track and on Twitter, fans complained that NASCAR had violated Hamlin's right to free speech.

Now the matter has been suddenly closed as the series shifts to Bristol Motor Speedway for Sunday's race, the fourth event for the new car.

"There was open dialogue between NASCAR, Denny and his team this week and this was the resolution that came about," NASCAR spokesman Kerri Tharp said.



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TELEVISION

AUTO RACING

9:30 a.m.: Nationwide practice, SPEED, Cable 551.
11 a.m.: Sprint Cup practice, SPEED, Cable 551.
1 p.m.: Nationwide practice, SPEED, Cable 551.
2:30 p.m.: Sprint Cup qualifying, SPEED, Cable 551.
1 a.m.: Formula One qualifying, NBCSN, Cable 549.

BASEBALL

6 p.m.: World Baseball Classic, MLB, Cable 536.

GOLF

8:30 a.m.: Avantha Masters, TGC, Cable 558.
2 p.m.: Tampa Bay Classic, TGC, Cable 558.

5:30 p.m.: LPGA Founders Cup, TGC, Cable 558.

7:30 p.m.: Toshiba Classic, TGC, Cable 558.

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

2 p.m.: Chicago Cubs vs. Chicago White Sox, WGN, Cable 3.

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

11 a.m.: Big Ten quarterfinal, Indiana vs. Illinois, ESPN, Cable 27.

11 a.m.: ACC quarterfinal, Miami vs. Boston College, ESPN2, Cable 26.

Noon: SEC quarterfinal, Florida vs. LSU, ESPNU, Cable 514.
1 p.m.: Big Ten quarterfinal, Wisconsin vs. Michigan, ESPN, Cable 27.

1 p.m.: ACC quarterfinal, Virginia vs. N.C. State, ESPN2, Cable 26.

2:30 p.m.: SEC quarterfinal, Alabama vs. Tennessee, ESPN, Cable 514.

3 p.m.: C-USA semifinal, Southern Miss vs. UTEP, CBSSN, Cable 531.

5:30 p.m.: Big Ten quarterfinal, Ohio St. vs. Nebraska, BTN, Cable 39.

5:30 p.m.: C-USA semifinal, Memphis vs. East Carolina/Tulsa, CBSSN, Cable 531.

6 p.m.: Big East semifinal, Georgetown vs. Syracuse, ESPN, Cable 27.

6 p.m.: ACC quarterfinal, Duke vs. Maryland, ESPN2, Cable 26.

6:30 p.m.: SEC quarterfinal, Kentucky vs. Vanderbilt, WTVW-7, Cable 8.

6:30 p.m.: Big 12 semifinal, Iowa St. vs. Kansas, ESPNU, Cable 514.

8 p.m.: Big East semifinal, Louisville vs. Marquette/Notre Dame, ESPN, Cable 27.

8 p.m.: ACC quarterfinal, North Carolina vs. Florida State/Clemson, ESPN2, Cable 26.

8 p.m.: Mountain West semifinal, San Diego St. vs. New Mexico, CBSSN, Cable 531.

8 p.m.: Big Ten quarterfinal, Michigan St. vs. Iowa/Northwestern, BTN, Cable 39.

9 p.m.: SEC quarterfinal, Mississippi vs. Missouri/Texas A&M, WTVW-7, Cable 8.

9 p.m.: Big 12 semifinal, Kansas St. vs. Oklahoma St./Baylor, ESPN, Cable 514.

10:30 p.m.: Pac-12 semifinal, California/Utah vs. Oregon/Washington, ESPN, Cable 27.

10:30 p.m.: Mountain West semifinal, Colorado St. vs. UNLV, CBSSN, Cable 531.

11 p.m.: Big West tournament, ESPNU, Cable 514.

MEN'S COLLEGE HOCKEY

6 p.m.: Hockey East Tournament, NBCSN, Cable 549.

MOTORSPORTS

5 p.m.: AMA Pro Racing, SPEED, Cable 551.

NBA BASKETBALL

9:30 p.m.: Chicago at Golden State, WGN, Cable 3.

TENNIS

3:30 p.m.: BNP Paribas Open, ESPN2, Cable 26.

10:30 p.m.: BNP Paribas Open, ESPN2, Cable 26.

WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

10 a.m.: C-USA semifinal, CBSSN, Cable 531.

12:30 p.m.: C-USA semifinal, CBSSN, Cable 531.

RADIO

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

6:30 p.m.: SEC tournament, Kentucky vs. Arkansas/Vanderbilt, WSON-AM 860 & FM 96.5, WMSK-FM 101.3.

SPORTSCOPE

GOLF

Results of Thursday's J Buck's men's senior scramble at Bent Creek: First, Paul Coy, Pascal Benson, Jim Pritchett, Jerry Tooley, -15; second, Don Holland, Tom Murray, Tommy McDonald, Herb Redding, -11; third, Jerry Crowdus, Tom Wiederstein, Robbie Reed, Robert Mays, -9. Closest to pin: No. 3, Don Holland; No. 5, Robbie Reed; No. 9, Jerry Crowdus. Putt-off winner: Tommy McDonald.

Results of Thursday's Kenny Kent men's league tournament at Bent Creek: First, Kenny Tegethoff, Houston Myers, Tom Stuckey, -6; second, Paul Coy, Rick Coomes, Tom Murray, -5; third (tie), Greg Pritchett, Henry West, Chris Pritchett, -4; Terry Reed, Larry White, Jack Ross, -4. Closest to pin: No. 3, Don Holland; No. 5, Henry West; No. 9, Jack Sandefur. Longest drive: No. 8, Houston Myers.

BASEBALL

Registration for Cal Ripken (ages 11-12) and Babe Ruth (ages 13-15) baseball will be held Monday, March 18 and Tuesday, March 19 from 6-8 p.m. at Park Field (off N. Elm St., Hays Boat Ramp). Registration will also be held for ages 16-18 Babe Ruth if there are enough participants. Registration is for all returning and new players. Registration fee is \$125. Tryouts for Cal Ripken and Babe Ruth baseball will be held Saturday, March 23, from 9 a.m.-noon, Sunday, March 24, from 1-4 p.m. and Monday, March 25, from 6-8 p.m. For more information call Micky Rhea at 860-4272, Cliff Williams at 831-3331, Matt Sellers at 844-3287, Troy LaPradd at 860-4862 or Bob Watson at 823-3314.

SOFTBALL

The Henderson Girls Softball Association will hold evaluations Sunday from 1-5 p.m. and Monday from 6-8 p.m. at Newman Field. Registration will be held during the evaluations. For more information call Todd Grass at 454-9494.

SEASON PASSES

Henderson County baseball and softball passes are available in the HCHS athletic office. Baseball passes are \$35 for varsity and \$25 for JV/freshman. Softball passes are \$35 for varsity/JV/freshman.

CHEERLEADING

North Middle School cheerleader tryouts will be held March 19, 20 and 22 from 3:30-5:30 p.m. The tryouts are for incoming sixth, seventh- and eighth-graders. Bring the appropriate forms that will be available at the secretary's desk. For more information call Rachel Heath at 831-8800.

OUTDOORS

A free Kentucky Hunter Education and Bowhunter course is scheduled for Saturday, March 16, at the Pleasant Valley Archery Club, located 2 miles south of Providence on Hwy. 293 going toward Princeton. The one-day only course will begin at 8 a.m. and continue until completion. The course will include classroom instruction in hunter ethics, wildlife identification, outdoor survival, first aid, firearms, bow hunting and ammunition. For more information contact Darrell Hill at (270) 667-2283.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

THURSDAY'S SCORES

TOURNAMENT 10th Conference

First Round

Butler 73, Dayton 67

Charlotte 68, Richmond 63

Saint Joseph's 58, Xavier 57

Atlantic Coast Conference

First Round

Boston College 84, Georgia Tech 64

Maryland 75, Wake Forest 62

NC State 80, Virginia Tech 63

Big 12 Conference

Quarterfinals

Iowa St. 73, Oklahoma 66

Kansas 91, Texas Tech 63

Kansas St. 66, Texas 49

Big East Conference

Quarterfinals

Georgetown 62, Cincinnati 43

Louisville 74, Villanova 55

Syracuse 62, Pittsburgh 59

Big Sky Conference

First Round

North Dakota 69, S. Utah 52

Weber St. 84, N. Arizona 58

Big Ten Conference

First Round

Illinois 51, Minnesota 49

Michigan 83, Penn St. 66

Nebraska 57, Purdue 55

Big West Conference

First Round

Cal Poly 64, UC Davis 41

Pacific 71, UC Santa Barbara 68

Conference USA

Quarterfinals

Memphis 81, Tulane 68

Southern Miss. 81, UAB 66

UTEP 80, Houston 69

Great West Conference

First Round

Houston Baptist 76, Utah Valley 74, 2OT

Mid-American Conference

Third Round

Kent St. 70, Buffalo 68

Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference

Quarterfinals

Delaware St. 63, Hampton 60

Mountain West Conference

Quarterfinals

San Diego St. 73, Boise St. 67

Pacific-12 Conference

Quarterfinals

Arizona 79, Colorado 69

UCLA 80, Arizona St. 75

Southeastern Conference

Second Round

LSU 68, Georgia 63

Tennessee 69, Mississippi St. 53

Vanderbilt 75, Arkansas 72

Southland Conference

Second Round

SE Louisiana 85, McNeese St. 65

Southwestern Athletic Conference

First Round

Jackson St. 66, Alabama St. 59

Western Athletic Conference

Quarterfinals

New Mexico St. 65, Idaho 49

Texas St. 72, Denver 68

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Greensboro, N.C.

Quarterfinals

Today

LSU 68, Georgia 63

Tennessee 69, Mississippi St. 53

Vanderbilt 75, Arkansas 72

Southland Conference

Second Round

SE Louisiana 85, McNeese St. 65

Business

S&P 500 nears record; Dow extends streak

By Matthew Craft

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Encouraging news from the job market sent the stock market toward two milestones Wednesday: A record high close for the Standard & Poor's 500 index and the longest winning streak for the Dow Jones industrial average in more than 16 years.

The S&P 500 index gained eight points to 1,563, a rise of 0.6 percent. It's just two points away from the peak it reached in October 2007.

The Dow rose 83 points, or 0.6 percent, closing at 14,539, its

10th straight day of gains. The last time that happened was November 1996. Hewlett-Packard led the Dow higher, rising more than 1 percent.

The number of Americans seeking unemployment benefits fell to a five-year low last week, the Labor Department reported, implying the job market is strengthening. The four-week average fell to the lowest since March 2008, four months after the economy slid into the Great Recession.

The government also delivered positive economic news on Wednesday, reporting that U.S. retail spending increased

in February at the fastest pace in five months. That came despite higher payroll taxes kicking in at the beginning of the year.

"We've been getting some really good economic statistics: jobless claims today and retail sales yesterday," said Doug Cote, chief market strategist for ING U.S. Investment Management. "And that's positive for asset prices."

The gains were broad in early trading, though slight. Of the 10 industries in the S&P 500, health care companies were the only group to fall. The Nasdaq composite rose 13 points, or 0.4 percent, to 3,258.

MGM Resorts International's stock gained 7 percent after its biggest shareholder, Kirk Kerkorian, requested permission to raise his stake in MGM to a quarter of its shares. MGM owns the Bellagio, Mandalay Bay and other casinos on the Las Vegas Strip.

Analysts say the stock market's surge this year will likely convince more people to move their cash into stocks. The Dow is up 10 percent so far this year, the S&P 9 percent.

"When the markets are running you just want to be part of it," Cote said. "Sitting on the sidelines is the wrong move."

So far, retail investors appear unsure. They put money in U.S. stock funds to start the year, but have withdrawn it for the last two weeks, according to a report out Wednesday from the Investment Company Institute.

The rally may have pushed the Dow to new record highs, but skeptics caution that markets regularly take sudden turns. Exactly one year ago, for instance, the Dow had already raced up 8 percent. But by June, all those gains were gone.

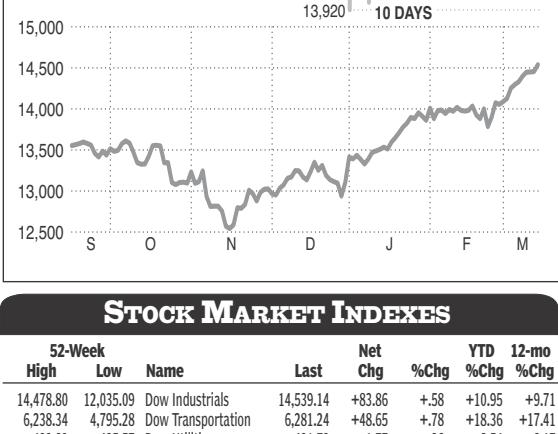
In the Treasury market, the yield on the 10-year note was 2.02 percent, unchanged from late Wednesday.

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STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST

Ticker	Ex	Div	Yld	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg	Ticker	Ex	Div	Yld	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
AT&T Inc	NY	1.80	4.9	29	36.86	+.26	+9.3	Goodyear	Nasd	...	18	13.55	+.13	-.19	-1.9
AblLabs	NY	.56	1.6	9	35.14	+.13	+12.1	Hallbrtr	NY	.50	1.2	15	42.54	+.70	+22.6
Accuride	NY	...	dd	5.05	...	+.16	+57.3	Humana	NY	1.04	1.5	9	69.23	+.39	+9
Agricorp	NY	2.00	1.9	11	103.04	-.71	+3.2	Intel	Nasd	.90	4.2	10	21.65	-.01	+5.0
Airgas	NY	1.60	1.5	24	103.26	-.26	+13.1	IBM	NY	3.40	1.6	15	215.80	+.374	+12.7
Alcatel-Lucent	NY	...	*	1.52	...	+.08	+9.4	IntPap	NY	1.20	2.6	24	45.90	+.16	+15.2
Alcoa	NY	.12	1.4	48	8.55	+.01	-1.5	Johnhny	NY	2.44	3.1	20	79.10	+.55	+12.8
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GlaxoSkin	NY	2.35	5.2	*	45.22	+.60	+4.0								

DAILY DOW JONES



Advice

Elderly parents may need a little help with hygiene issues

Dear Amy: I am lucky enough to have both parents still living and in general good health. They live independently in senior housing.

I realize that with age comes a certain amount of "slowing down," however, one thing that seems to be slipping a little for them is general hygiene.

Sometimes they just smell a little "off," have greasy hair, bad breath or stray hairs growing in odd places.

My mother has decided that they don't really need to wash their clothes often because they don't get dirty.

Well, they actually do get dirty — sometimes with small unseen spills or with daily human body odor that builds up after several



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wearings.

Their facility does not have care available, otherwise I would ask for an assistant to clue them in.

How do I bring this up without hurting the feelings of my dear parents?

— **Querying Daughter**

Dear Daughter: Sometimes older people lose some of their sense of smell (medications can cause this), along with other changes in their perceptions.

You can broach this by offering to help with some of the little daily chores and hygiene issues which might have become difficult for them.

Tell your parents: "Sometimes it smells a little stale in here when I come in. How about I do your laundry for you every Saturday? We'll change the sheets together and launder all of your clothes."

Go through their closets with them to make sure they have clothes that they like and are easy for them to put on.

Make sure their toothbrushes, cups, etc., are easy for them to use (there are great "adaptive" products available).

Also — please — offer to

help them with their hair, etc. It may be challenging for them to see clearly what is out of place, and it might have become physically difficult to wash thoroughly.

In my experience this sort of personal care offers a level of intimacy that might be beautiful for all of you.

If all of this would be too tough for you (or them), hiring a caregiver to come in to assist them a couple of afternoons a week could be the answer.

Dear Amy: Regarding reader responses to the letter from "Joan," who wondered if she should use a monetary gift for a dream trip or play it safe and use it for retirement: I am a hospice social worker. I have

talked with many, many people about life decisions and regrets.

Not one person has ever said he or she regrets not having more money. Most people wish they had taken advantage of opportunities for experiences it is too late to have.

I'm not suggesting we all live like grasshoppers. I work some extra shifts to pay for long-term care insurance. But it also helps to realize none of us is guaranteed a tomorrow, no matter what we do or how well we plan.

— **Hospice Worker**

Dear Worker: Working with people at the end of life certainly gives you an important perspective on how to live. Thank you.

Horoscope

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (March 15)

You'll involve yourself where you are needed and wanted and will make a huge difference there. You'll rid yourself of extra baggage in the next 10 weeks. April closes a deal. May brings a happy meshing of hearts and lifestyles. Following a new interest this summer will bring about a change in the way you make money. Capricorn and Taurus people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 4, 14, 3, 20 and 38.

ARIES (March 21-April 19).

With Mars invigorating you with his journey through your part of the sky, it's easy to be too forward. A moment of quiet reflection on how you would like to relate to others will shield you from the mistakes of haste.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20).

It's a natural response to defend what's yours or stand up for those you love. Even though this may be your first impulse when someone seems to infringe on your territory, there will be a wiser second impulse that follows.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21).

Something has changed in your awareness since yesterday. You'll notice what people are doing that you don't like, and you'll also notice what they are doing to enrich your world.

CANCER (June 22-July 22).

A sense of belonging is a powerful, primal need, a need that you fill for others with your simple acknowledgements and gestures of openness — for instance, your smile.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22).

You'll witness odd behavior and will be asked to interact outside of your comfort zone. Luckily, since all human beings have the same basic needs, it shouldn't be too difficult to figure this one out.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22).

You are interested in getting other people's needs met. It will feel good to help. You are even able to ignore your own needs temporarily in order to do this. But you won't be able to serve anyone if you go overboard with the selflessness.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23).

You'll appreciate the mellow qualities of the day and will be soothed by stretches of silence and the peace of uneventful hours. You probably won't even mind how the tranquil parts are punctuated with drama.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21).

Excellent conversation, television and other entrances will seem like a necessity — and they very well may be. To avoid getting burned out or overly tense, you really do need the release that entertainment provides.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21).

Free time seems in short supply now, but since no one can tell you how to think, your mind will create mini-vacations while you physically attend to the demands of the day.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19).

Sometimes when you've been in a relationship for a long time, common courtesies like eye contact and being in the same room as the person you're talking to go out the window. For a thriving relationship, bring them back.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18).

Being overly generous is your norm these days. You're in the mood to go over the top to show your love, interest, support, enthusiasm and whatever else you may be feeling.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20).

Just because the other person's mouth is shut doesn't mean he or she is listening.

Minds do have a way of drifting. You may have to do more to get and keep people's attention now.

Heloise wants to share trip photographs

Dear Readers: I travel a lot across the country (Florida for two speeches, Los Angeles for a TV show and back to my home base in San Antonio for several speeches) for charities, groups and conventions.

This January, I was in the Washington, D.C., area for a home-improvement show for several days. Luck was on my side, and a friend gave me an invitation, so I was able to attend the presidential inauguration!

Visit my website, www.Heloise.com, for links to the hints I shared on several Washington, D.C., TV



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shows, plus a few photos.

Here's my travel hint that I found invaluable on this trip: The phone number of the hotel was not printed on the key-card holder anywhere!

Now, I write the phone number on the "envelope" or key-card holder. Many cards have just the hotel chain info on them, as do some of the notepads in the room, which are no help if you need to call the hotel directly. The key is always with me, so if I need the number, I have it.

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Very low levels are dangerous because your

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Hemoglobin is contained in red blood cells, and this level is also borderline. It's possible that this is normal for you, but also possible there is something wrong with your bone marrow.

Both ranitidine (Zantac) and pantoprazole (Protomix or Tecta) occasionally can cause low neutrophil levels.

Given how long it has been going on, and especially because both the hemoglobin level and the neutrophil count are low, I think it might be wise to discuss this with a hematologist — an expert in blood conditions.

The hematologist may agree that it is reasonable to just watch it or may decide to do some additional testing.

You may need a bone marrow biopsy, the removal of a small amount

of bone marrow through a needle in the hip. Please let me know what happens.

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Poll finds attitude shift among working moms

Jennifer C. Kerr
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Working mothers increasingly want full-time jobs, and tough economic times might be a big reason, according to a national survey.

In the Pew Research Center study released Thursday, researchers saw a big spike in the share of working mothers who said they'd prefer to work full time; 37 percent said that was their ideal, up from 21 percent in 2007.

The poll comes amid a national debate on women in the workplace ignited by top Facebook executive Sheryl Sandberg, who writes in a new book about the need for women to be more professionally aggressive.

In "Lean In: Women, Work, and the Will to Lead," Sandberg argues that women have not made true progress in the workplace over the past decade and that they need to raise their hands more and "lean in" if they want to land more senior positions in corporate America.

The shift toward full-time work in the Pew poll, however, coincides with the recession and may have less to do with career ambitions than with financial realities.

"Women aren't necessarily evolving toward some belief or comfort level with work," says study co-author Kim Parker, an associate director at the center. "They are also reacting to outside forces and in this case, it is the economy."

Among women who said their financial situations aren't sufficient to meet basic expenses, about half said working full time was best for them. Of the women who said they live comfortably, only 31 percent said full time was their best situation.

Melody Armstrong, 34,



Sheryl Sandberg, Facebook's chief operating officer

of Hampton, N.H., works full time and says she wouldn't have it any other way.

"It works better for my family, and for our finances," Armstrong said in an interview. "It helps pay the bills and we can enjoy the lifestyle we have. We need to have two incomes."

Armstrong and her husband have six children between them, a blended family with one child off to college and a baby at home. She works for Double Black Imaging, a Colorado-based company that sells medical monitors. Armstrong says her company gives her the flexibility she needs to work her sales position from home.

"I do some work early in the morning or after dinner," Armstrong says, and can adjust around her children's school and sports schedules.

Mothers' attitudes — both for those who work outside the home and those who don't — have changed significantly. Among women with children under 18 years old, the proportion of those who say they would prefer to work full time has increased from 20 percent in 2007 to 32 percent last year.

When all adults were asked about working moms, however, just 16 percent said the best situation for a young child is to have a mother working full time. Slightly over 40 percent

said part time was ideal, and one-third said staying home was best for kids.

Guimara Ochoa, 38, of Chevy Chase, Md., has two young children and works full time. She says she'd rather work part time but says it's just not an option for her family.

"We just can't afford to not have two full-time incomes," Ochoa says. "We wouldn't be able to do it otherwise."

Ochoa, an international specialist with the National Endowment for the Arts, says she's doing her best to juggle her career and caring for her children.

"I've done a really good job of wearing my mom hat when I get home and putting everything aside as far as work goes and focusing on them," said Ochoa.

Most moms in the poll expressed confidence as parents. Nearly three-quarters of mothers with children under 18 said they were doing an excellent or very good job raising their children. Fathers were asked that question, too, and 64 percent gave themselves high marks.

Other findings in the poll:

■ Roughly half of working mothers and fathers say they would rather be home with their children but work because they need the income.

■ Fifty-six percent of working mothers and 50 percent of working fathers say it's either very or somewhat difficult for them to balance work and family.

■ Forty percent of working mothers with children under 18 and 34 percent of working fathers say they always feel rushed.

The Pew Research findings are based on a survey of 2,511 adults nationwide conducted Nov. 28-Dec. 5, 2012. The poll has a margin of error of plus or minus 2.2 percentage points.

Census shows a record third of counties across United States are now dying off

By Hope Yen
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — A record number of U.S. counties — more than 1 in 3 — are now dying off, hit by an aging population and weakened local economies that are spurring young adults to seek jobs and build families elsewhere.

New 2012 census estimates released Thursday highlight the population shifts as the U.S. encounters its most sluggish growth levels since the Great Depression.

The findings also reflect the increasing economic importance of foreign-born residents as the U.S. ponders an overhaul of a major 1965 federal immigration law. Without new immigrants, many metropolitan areas such as New York, Chicago, Detroit, Pittsburgh and St. Louis would have posted flat or negative population growth in the last year.

"Immigrants are innovators, entrepreneurs, they're making things happen. They create jobs," said Michigan Gov. Rick Snyder, a Republican, at an immigration conference in his state last week. Saying Michigan should be a top destination for legal immigrants to come and boost Detroit and other struggling areas, Snyder made a special appeal: "Please come here."

The growing attention on immigrants is coming mostly from areas of the Midwest and Northeast, which are seeing many of their residents leave after years of staying put during the downturn. With a slowly improving U.S. economy, young adults are now back on the move, departing traditional big cities to test the job market mostly in the South and West, which had sustained the biggest hits in the housing bust.

Census data show that

1,135 of the nation's 3,143 counties are now experiencing "natural decrease," where deaths exceed births. That's up from roughly 880 U.S. counties, or 1 in 4, in 2009. Already apparent in Japan and many European nations, natural decrease is now increasingly evident in large swaths of the U.S., much of it rural.

Despite increasing deaths, the U.S. population as a whole continues to grow, boosted by immigration from abroad and relatively higher birth rates among the mostly younger migrants from Mexico, Latin America and Asia.

"These counties are in a pretty steep downward spiral," said Kenneth Johnson, a senior demographer and sociology professor at the University of New Hampshire, who researched the findings. "The young people leave and the older adults stay in place and age. Unless something dramatic changes — for instance, new development such as a meatpacking plant to attract young Hispanics — these areas are likely to have more and more natural decrease."

The areas of natural decrease stretch from industrial areas near Pittsburgh

and Cleveland to the vineyards outside San Francisco to the rural areas of east Texas and the Great Plains. A common theme is a waning local economy, such as farming, mining or industrial areas of the Rust Belt. They also include some retirement communities in Florida, although many are cushioned by a steady flow of new retirees each year.

In the last year, Maine joined West Virginia as the only two entire states where deaths exceed births, which have dropped precipitously after the recent recession. As a nation, the U.S. population grew by just 0.75 percent last year, stuck at historically low levels not seen since 1937.

Johnson said the number of dying counties is rising not only because of fewer births but also increasing mortality as 70 million baby boomers born between 1946 and 1964 move into their older years.

"I expect natural decrease to remain high in the future," he said.

Among the 20 fastest-growing large metropolitan areas last year, 16 grew faster than in 2011 and most of them are located in previously growing parts of the Sun Belt or Mountain West.

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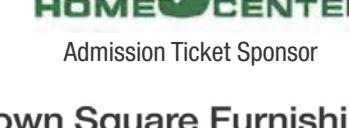
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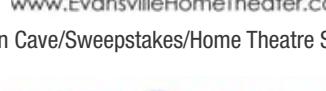
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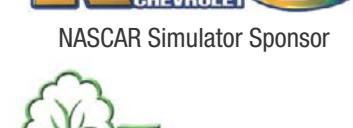


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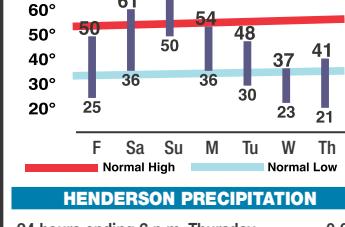
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Normal high/low	57/36
Record high for Thursday	82 in 2012
Record low for Thursday	7 in 1960
High/low since first of the month	66/21
High/low March temp. on record	86/4
Thursday's temperatures	
Midnight	25
2 a.m.	36
4 a.m.	21
6 a.m.	21
8 a.m.	25
F	36
Sa	36
Su	36
M	30
Tu	23
W	37
Th	21
Humidity Thursday at 3 p.m.	48%

HENDERSON TEMPERATURE TRENDS



HENDERSON PRECIPITATION

24 hours ending 6 p.m. Thursday	0.00"
Month to date	0.41"
Year to date	9.60"
Deviation for month	-1.33"
Deviation for year	+1.55"

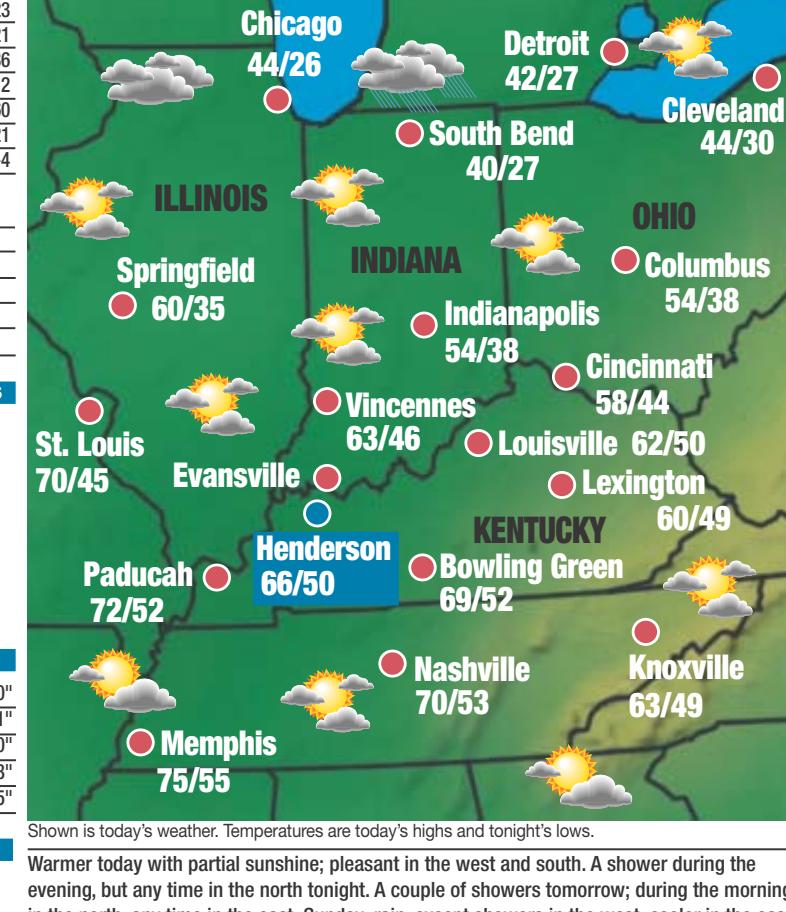
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Regional Map



Shown is today's weather. Temperatures are today's highs and tonight's lows.

Warmer today with partial sunshine; pleasant in the west and south. A shower during the evening, but any time in the north tonight. A couple of showers tomorrow; during the morning in the north, any time in the east. Sunday: rain, except showers in the west; cooler in the east and south.

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Today



Partly sunny, pleasant and warmer
66/50

Saturday



Cooler with times of sun and clouds
55/36

Sunday



Rather cloudy with showers around
47/40

Monday



Warmer with a chance for showers
61/34

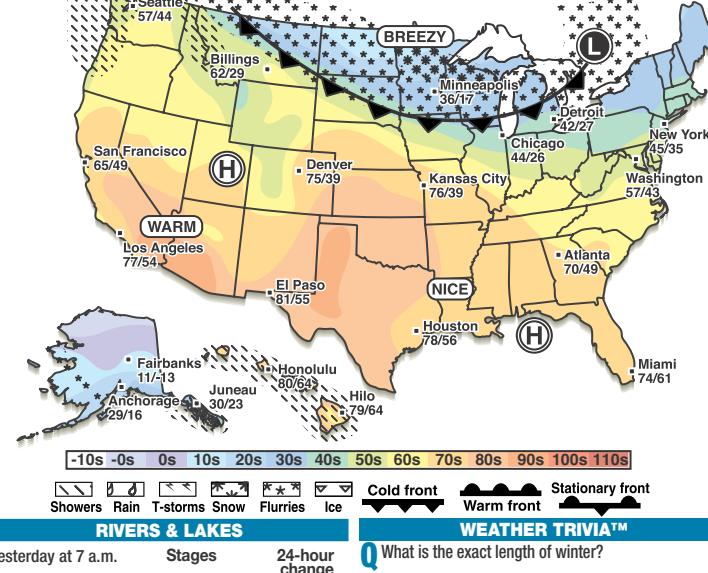
Tuesday



Mostly sunny and cooler
46/30

Shown are noon positions of weather systems and precipitation. Temperatures bands are highs for the day.

National Forecast



Legend: -10s -0s 0s 10s 20s 30s 40s 50s 60s 70s 80s 90s 100s 110s
Showers Rain T-storms Snow Flurries Ice Cold front Warm front Stationary front

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Yesterday 34

Month to date (normal) 378 (292)

Season to date (normal) 3753 (3685)

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First March 19

Full March 27

Last April 2

New April 10

7:02 a.m.

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Hot chicks: At 60, Peeps more popular than ever

Sweet treat lovers share secret passions

By Michael Rubinkam

Associated Press

BETHLEHEM, Pa. — It's Easter morning. A boy rouses his younger brother, and they run to the living room to find their baskets filled with — what else? — Peeps.

"Peeps are THE candy of Easter," the excited boy tells his wide-eyed sibling, who pops a yellow marshmallow chick in his mouth.

"If you had asked me about this 25 years ago, I would've been rather bewildered about the whole thing," Born confesses. "We were candy makers."

Not that he's complaining. Just Born had its best year financially in 2012.

His grandfather, Russian immigrant Sam Born, started the candy company out of a Brooklyn storefront 90 years ago. Born advertised the freshness of his product with a sign that said "Just Born." The name stuck.

The burgeoning business moved to Bethlehem and acquired the Peeps brand with its 1953 purchase of Rodda Candy Co. of Lancaster. Best known for its jelly beans, Rodda had also introduced a small line of marshmallow chicks and bunnies, employing dozens of women who hand-squeezed them out of pastry bags.

"It was really very difficult, and these women were strong," said David Shaffer, Sam Born's nephew and co-CEO along

with Ross Born.

Ross's father, Bob Born — a physicist and engineer by training — automated the process in the mid-1950s, and a version of the machine he invented is still in use today, extruding millions of those familiar shapes on peak-Peep production days.

The company, whose other brands are Hot Tamales, Mike and Ike, and Goldenberg's Peanut Chews, has never suffered an unprofitable year. But its growth has always been relatively slow, steady and controlled, and a few years ago, Born and Shaffer decided they wanted to accelerate it.

The longtime partners brought in a new management team, spent heavily on



Peeps move through the manufacturing process at the Just Born factory in Bethlehem, Pa. With the storied candy brand celebrating its 60th anniversary this year, a quirky new TV ad campaign talks about all the things people do with their Peeps.

marketing and broke back into the chocolate business, introducing chocolate-dipped Peeps as well as Peepsters, small chocolate candies filled with marshmallow-flavored cream.

(New for this year is a yellow chick nestled in a hollow chocolate egg.) They also focused on holiday seasons other than Easter, particularly Christmas.

The result: Shaffer says last year was "off the charts." While Just Born is privately held and does not disclose revenue, he says it posted double-digit growth across all brands. And Shaffer sees more growth potential as the confectioner works to position its products in warehouse clubs and convenience stores.

Just Born certainly benefits from being part of a \$33 billion candy industry that is seen as basically recession-proof, offering an inexpensive indulgence during tough economic times.

"Candy did not seem to take the hit that some other industries faced in recent years. We think a big reason for that is candy's place in our hearts and minds," says Susan Whiteside of the National Confectioners Association, a trade group.

Long associated with Easter, Peeps have penetrated the pop-culture consciousness in a way that other candy brands have not.

Aficionados send chicks into battle in a microwave "sport" known as Peeps

jousting. They enter Peeps art contests, dozens of which are held around the country this time of year. They innovate recipes like "Peepza," a desert pizza. They write cheeky blog entries with titles like "101 Fun Ways to Torture a Peep."

Hoping to capitalize, Just Born recently opened three Peeps & Company retail stores in Pennsylvania, Maryland and Minnesota.

While the company churns out more than 1 billion Peeps this Easter season — a record — it sees the 60th anniversary as another marketing opportunity and a chance to connect with its fans. In addition to the TV ad campaign, it's ramping up social media promoting a Facebook survey that asks knowing questions like this one: Do you like your Peeps fresh, frozen, or "aged to perfection"?

So which is it, Ross Born?

Fresh or stale?

He's happy to address that perennial Peeps debate. Just don't ask him to take sides.

"There's a lot of gray area here," Born says diplomatically. "There are people who tell me they put a one-inch slice in the film (that seals the box), and they'll lay it on top of their refrigerator for two days. No more, no less. Then they are PERFECT to eat."

"So it's not necessarily stale, it's just a little firmer. All right? It's just like politics," says Just Born's commander-in-Peep. "You've got people way on one side, and way on the other side, but there are a whole lot of people in the middle."

Researchers say flu spreads more readily by breathing than sneezing

By Lee Bowman

Scripps Howard News Service

You never want to sit next to that guy during flu season.

You know, the sniveling, sneezing, hacking sort who occupies the next cubicle or the neighboring seat on the plane. It's just a matter of time before he — or she — infects you with whatever crud's going around.

Except, a new study suggests, it's not the tissue-groping, say-it-don't-spray-it types that are most likely to get you. All a sickly person really has to do is breathe around you.

Researchers at the University of Maryland tested the exhaled breath of 38 flu patients and checked both large droplets and fine airborne particles for flu virus.

It turned out that the fine airborne particles — released by normal breathing — contained nearly nine times more virus than larger droplets particles released

when a person coughs and sneezes. The study was published March 7 in the journal PLOS Pathogens.

It's also good to know that if you must share a space with someone who has the flu, you're better off if the room is somewhat humid.

Researchers at the CDC's National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health reported in late February that the viral load in a dry room was more than five times greater than the amounts found in a room with greater humidity.

Some people sitting at the machine released undetectable levels of virus; others put out over 100,000 viruses during the test.

The researchers also tested some of the patients while they wore paper surgical masks, recommended by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention as a way to prevent someone with the flu from spreading the virus. In the study, the masks reduced the amount of virus shed by 3.4 times overall.

Fortunately, although flu

week since the seasonal outbreak peaked in December.

Experts say the optimal humidity range is between 30 and 50 percent to avoid health problems with breathing and nosebleeds during the winter.

On a larger scale, air humidity and temperature seem to largely account for how flu spreads in different climates. A third study in PLOS Pathogens, led by researchers at the National Institutes of Health, used models to measure the flu-outbreak patterns at various sites around the globe.

They showed that, in temperate regions, flu was more common about a month after a spell of particularly dry air. In areas with relatively high temperatures and humidity — like the tropics and subtropics — flu peaks in the most humid and rainy months.

While it's fairly certain that cold temperatures and

low humidity keep people indoors amid easily spread viruses in wintry places, the seasonal flux of flu in the tropics is not so well understood.

The NIH researchers

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note said one theory for tropical flu is people spend more time indoors together during the rainy season and that this increases transmission, even with higher humidity.

THAT SCRABBLE WORD GAME

by David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek





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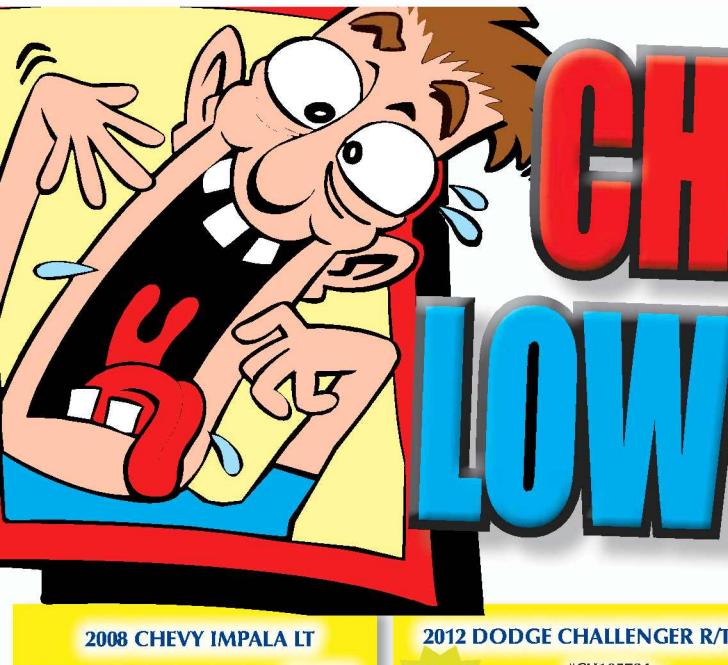
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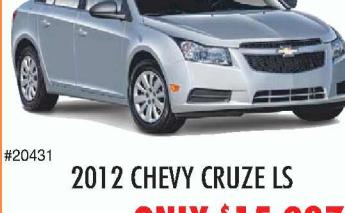
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2 "— Finest Hour"
3 TV, radio, etc.
4 Chemistry class-rooms
5 On cloud nine
6 Parsley serving
7 Vegan's no-no
8 Bobby of hockey
9 Luau side dish
10 "Born in the —"
11 Corral
12 "Long-legged shore-bird"
13 Pull an all-nighter
14 Freudian concept
15 Use a keyboard
16 Moreover
17 Rodeo outcries
18 Strong adhesive
19 Meal for Oliver Twist
20 Moral principles
21 Larry's pal
22 Runs from the fuzz
23 Shooter ammo
24 Sharpen
25 Tureen accessory
26 Inseparable
27 Marian, in "The Music Man"
28 "Monty Python" opener
29 Wanted-poster datum
30 Hi-tech SFX
31 Prepared
32 Thick-soled shoes
33 Slight amount
34 Attempt

DOWN

1 Storage story
2 "— Pitched
3 Second person
4 "Ulalume" writer
5 Immigrant's study (Abbr.)
6 Big Apple letters
7 Past
8 Moray or conger
9 Sch. org.
10 Resistance measure
11 Practice pugilism

Solution time: 25 minutes

Yesterday's answer

3/14

CRYPTOQUIP

AXAZE NMYA H CFJRN FHR

NJ FHXA RLZCAZE EJL

YMCFN DHGG NFA SZJDAQLZA

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Yesterday's Cryptoquip: I suppose since there's no second spare container in which to pour this wine, I can't decant.

Today's Cryptoquip Clue: E equals Y

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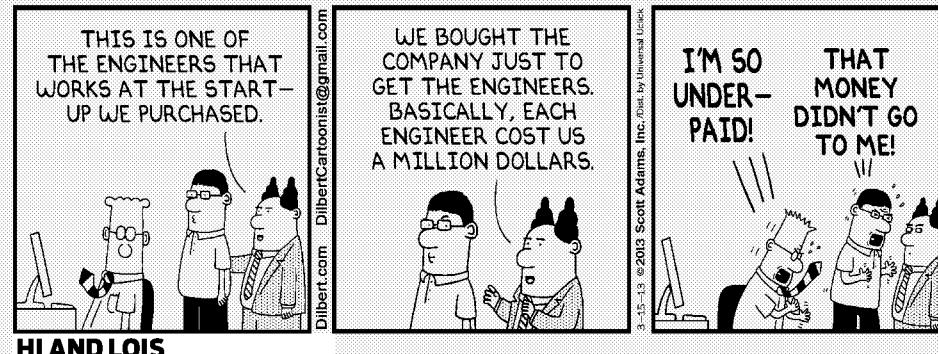
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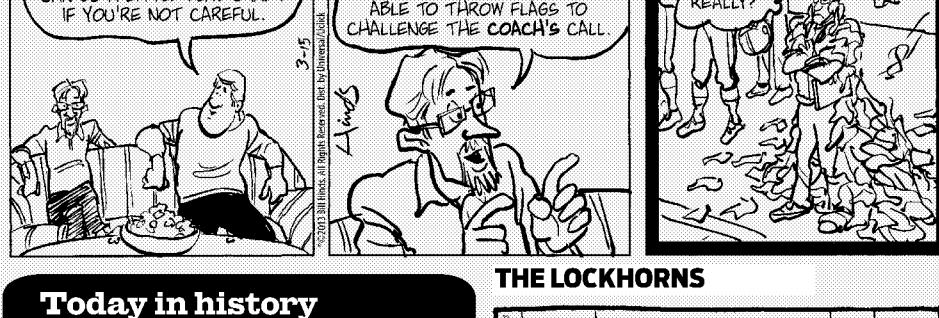
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Today in history
The Associated Press

Today is Friday, March 15, the 74th day of 2013. There are 291 days left in the year.

Today's highlight in history:

On March 15, 1913, President Woodrow Wilson met with about 100 reporters for the first formal presidential press conference.

On this date:

In 44 B.C., Roman dictator Julius Caesar was assassinated by a group of nobles that included Brutus and Cassius.

In 1493, Christopher Columbus returned to Spain, concluding his first voyage to the Western Hemisphere.

In 1956, the Lerner and Loewe musical play "My Fair Lady," based on Bernard Shaw's "Pygmalion," opened on Broadway.

In 1962, a chartered Flying Tiger Line airplane carrying 107 people, most of them U.S. Army personnel, disappeared while en route from Guam to the Philippines. "No Strings," Richard Rodgers' first musical following the death of longtime collaborator Oscar Hammerstein II, opened on Broadway.

In 1964, actress Elizabeth Taylor married actor Richard Burton in Montreal; it was her fifth marriage, his second.

In 1972, "The Godfather," Francis Ford Coppola's epic gangster movie based on the Mario Puzo novel and starring Marlon Brando and Al Pacino, premiered in New York.

In 1985, the first Internet domain name, symbolics.com, was registered by the Symbolics Computer Corp. of Massachusetts.

Ten years ago: Protesters in Washington, D.C., and around the world demonstrated against an anticipated war with Iraq.

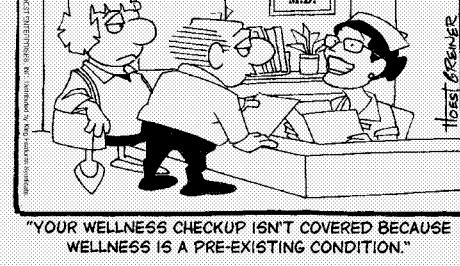
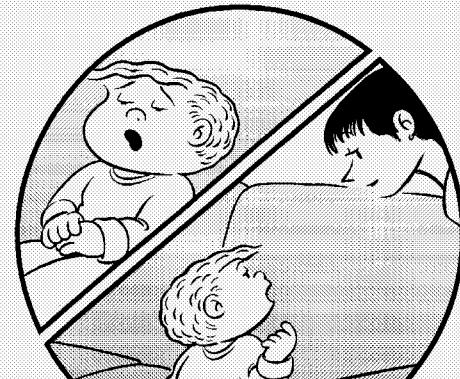
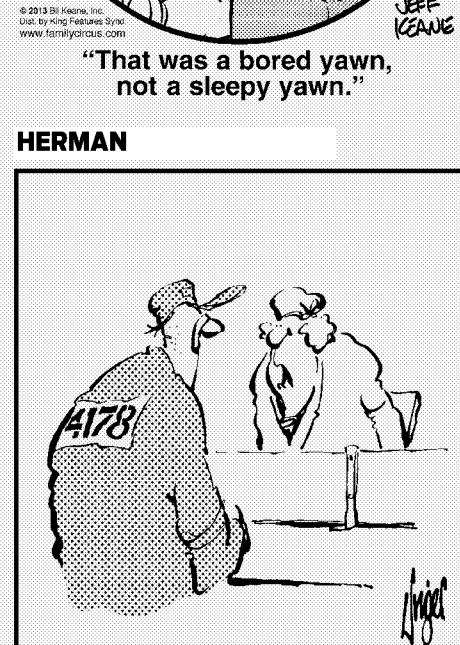
Five years ago: A construction crane toppled in New York City, killing seven people. China's legislature re-appointed Hu Jintao as president.

One year ago: Convicted former Illinois Gov. Rod Blagojevich walked into a federal prison in Colorado, where the 55-year-old Democrat began serving a 14-year sentence for corruption.

THINK ABOUT IT

"We're all in this together — by ourselves."

— Lily Tomlin, American comedian.

THE LOCKHORNS

THE FAMILY CIRCUS

HERMAN

ACROSS

- 1 Lawn cover?
- 4 — pro quo
- 8 Pleased
- 12 Ecol. bureau
- 13 Karachi language
- 14 Holy cow!
- 15 Lo — graphics
- 16 Fancy
- 18 Indira's father
- 20 Lemons and clunkers
- 21 Solstice mo.
- 23 Ma Bell
- 24 Robbins and Holt
- 27 Ceiling
- 29 Neck and neck
- 33 Rollover subj.
- 34 Stale
- 35 Item in a poker pot
- 36 Counting-rhyme start
- 38 Hula accompaniment

39 Pole on a ship

40 Umpire's yell

42 Width of a cir.

44 Footed vases

46 Coral ridges

50 Logo

54 AAA service

55 People devourer

56 Shivery feeling

57 Play about Capote

58 Not e'en once

59 Angled a nail

60 Midnight cash dispenser

DOWN

- 1 "Silent Running" star
- 2 Dueler's weapon
- 3 Scrub
- 4 Single-file line
- 5 Website (abbr.)
- 6 Snake River loc.

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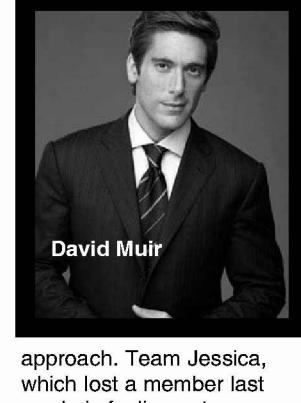
54 AAA service

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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		16	Secure
		17	Fury
		18	Beatles' "Nowhere —"
		19	Genre
		20	Through
		21	Aurora, to Socrates
		22	Cashew or filbert
		23	Over there
		24	West
		25	Wear and tear
		26	Vexed
		27	Encourage strongly
		28	Not often seen
		29	Wonder Woman's friend
		30	Citadel
		31	Enjoyed the beach
		32	Freight weight
		33	Picture border
		34	Back when
		35	Feel remorse

BEST BETS**5 p.m. on NC**
Access 360 World Heritage

David Muir

In this new episode, the battle is on to rescue and protect one of mankind's greatest treasures from both the impact of man and nature: the 1,200-year-old Buddhist temple and UNESCO World Heritage site, Borobudur.

7 p.m. on 25**Last Man Standing**

While at a baseball game with Boyd (Flynn Morrison), Mike and Ryan (Tim Allen, Jordan Masterson) have a run-in with architect Bill McKendree (Richard Karn, Allen's former "Home Improvement" co-star), who's been on a downward spiral since he failed to land an Outdoor Man gig. Mandy (Molly Ephraim) finds an unlikely substitute for her confiscated laptop and cellphone in the new episode "The Fight." Nancy Travis also stars.

7 p.m. on 14**Fashion Star**

In this new episode, the designers are challenged to create garments with plenty of sex appeal. Some interpret that as baring as much skin as possible, while others take the less-is-more

approach. Team Jessica, which lost a member last week, is feeling extra pressure and ends up sending one piece down the runway unfinished. One contestant's work sparks a major bidding war in "Sex Sells."

8 p.m. on 44
Golden Boy

Clark (Theo James) is on the case when a police officer who worked with Arroyo and Owen (Kevin Alejandro, Chi McBride) is murdered while moonlighting for a hip-hop mogul. Arroyo and McKenzie's (Bonnie Somerville) relationship is in danger of being exposed in the new episode "Role Models." Holt McCallany and Stella Maeve also star.

8 p.m. on 6
Flea Market Flip

Positive reaction to the first season prompted HGTV to move up the return of new episodes of this competition show. Two teams of avid flea market patrons go against each other for a \$5,000 prize. Lara Spencer ("Good Morning America") is the host.

8 p.m. on 5
The World According to Dick Cheney

Emmy winner R.J. Cutler ("American High") spent a great deal of time with former Vice President Dick Cheney for this documentary. Cutler delves into Cheney's life and career, interviewing family and friends, as well as former Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld.

8 p.m. on 2
Spartacus: War of the Damned

Spartacus and Crixus (Liam McIntyre, Manu Bennett) are at odds over how to escape from a snowbound ridge where their forces are trapped. Crassus (Simon Merrells) finds it more and more difficult to control those closest to him in the new

episode "Mors Indecepta." Todd Lasance also stars.

9 p.m. on 11
Banshee

Under pressure from Xavier (Derek Cecil) and his own memories of prison therapy, Lucas (Antony Starr) makes a decision with major implications for Carrie (Ivana Milicevic) and her family as well as Sugar and Job (Frankie Faison, Hoon Lee) and the entire police force. Nola (Odette Annable) reconsiders her future. Rebecca (Lili Simmons) learns about the power of telecommunications in the season finale, "A Mixture of Madness."



Lara Spencer

9:01 p.m. on 25
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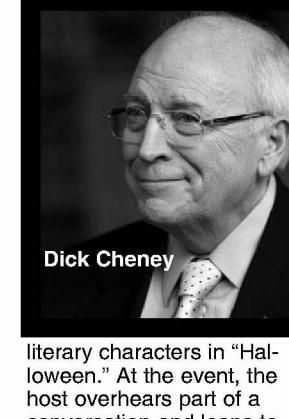
You may have noticed some changes at this venerable newsmagazine's anchor desk recently. David Muir, weekend anchor of "ABC World News," has replaced Chris Cuomo — now at CNN — as Elizabeth Vargas' co-host. The content of the show hasn't changed: top-notch investigative reports on the stories of the day.

9:30 p.m. on 11
Friends

Monica (Courteney Cox Arquette) asks Joey (Matt LeBlanc) for a loan without letting Chandler (Matthew Perry) know in "The One With the Boob Job." Chandler finds out anyway, prompting Monica to devise a fake reason for asking for the money. Phoebe (Lisa Kudrow) wants to cohabit with Mike (Paul Rudd), and Rachel (Jennifer Aniston) wants to make her apartment completely safe for baby Emma.

9:30 p.m. on 14
Frasier

Niles (David Hyde Pierce) hosts a party to benefit the library, with guests coming dressed as their favorite



Dick Cheney

literary characters in "Hallowe'en." At the event, the host overhears part of a conversation and leaps to the conclusion that there is more to Frasier and Daphne's (Kelsey Grammer, Jane Leeves) relationship than he had thought. John Mahoney also stars.

10:30 p.m. on 13**Movie: Bad Boys**

Two mismatched Miami cops — one footloose and cocky, the other a hen-pecked family man — must switch identities to get the cooperation of the sole witness to a murder and reclaim a consignment of drugs stolen right from under their precinct's nose. Martin Lawrence, Will Smith and Tea Leoni star in this 1995 comedy.

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7:00	Good Morning America (CC)	Today (CC)	News	CBS This Morning (CC)	Shepherd's Chapel	Curious	Paid Prog.	Prince		J. Meyer	That Girl	Paid Prog.	Smarter	Will & Grace		
7:30				Local 7 News Lifestyles	Cat in the Chapel	Cat in the Cat	Paid Prog.	Prince		M. Williams	I Love Lucy	Paid Prog.	Movie: "Le-gion"	Will & Grace		
8:00					Paid Prog.	Super Why!	Super Why!	Matlock (CC)	Payne	Almost, Away	Daniel Boone	Slings	Gangland	Frasier		
8:30					K. Copeland	Dinosaur	Dinosaur		Browns			Gangland	(CC)	Frasier		
9:00	Live! Kelly and Michael	Today (CC)	Family Feud (CC)	The Doctors	Paid Prog.	Sesame Street	Sesame Street	Matlock (CC)	There Yet?	Movie: "The Juror" (CC)	Almost, Away	Perry Mason (CC)	Gangland	Movie: "Bad Company"	First Take (CC)	
9:30				Life Today	Divorce	Daniel Tiger	Daniel Tiger	In the Heat of the Night	Engagement	Prince		Fatal Encounters (CC)	Hustle or Die	Fraser	Chris	
10:00	The View (CC)	Today (CC)	Judge Judy Right (CC)	The Price Is Right (CC)	Divorce	Sid Science	Sid Science	Engagement	Engagement			The Rockford Files	Gangland	Chris	Chris	College Basketball
10:30	Luminess	Midday With Mike (CC)	Judge Mathis	Young & Restless	Judge Alex	WordWorld	WordWorld	In the Heat of the Night	Jim	Movie: "Miracle" (CC)	FBI: Criminal Pursuit	Hawaii Five-0 (CC)	Gangland	Movie: "White Chicks"	Chris	
11:00	Sleep	Days of our Lives (CC)	Andy Griffith Bold	Judge Judy	Judge Alex	Barney	Clifford-Dog	Raymond	Raymond		Auction	Gunsmoke	Gangland	How I Met	College Basketball	
11:30					Judge B.	Cat in the GED	GED	WGN Midday News (CC)	Amer. Dad		Auction	Friends	Gangland	How I Met		
12:00	The Chew	Days of our Lives (CC)	Andy Griffith Bold	Judge B.	Sit & Be Fit	Pre GED	Friends	Amer. Dad						Flip This House (CC)		
12:30														Flip This House (CC)		
1:00	General Hospital	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	The Talk (CC)	Anderson Live	organic	Super Why!	Walker, Texas Ranger	Wipeout (CC)	Movie: "The Rookie" (CC)	MythBusters (CC)	Bonanza	Gangland	ATP Tennis		
1:30	Midday	Midday With America (CC)	Tummy		T. Smiley	Dinosaur	Ranger				Silver Rush (CC)	The Big Valley	Gangland	How I Met		
2:00	The Jeff Probst Show	The Dr. Oz Show (CC)	Steve Harvey	Let's Make a Deal (CC)	The Jeremy Kyle Show	Charlie Rose	Cat in the MLB Pre-season	Cougar						How I Met		
2:30					Kyle Show	Kyle Show	Curious	Friends						Flip This House (CC)		
3:00	Rachael Ray	America	Bill Cunningham Jeopardy!	Dr. Phil (CC)	The Steve Wilkos Show	Arthur	Arthur	Baseball:	Friends					Flip This House (CC)		
3:30					Wilkos Show	WordGirl	WordGirl	Chicago Cubs	Friends					Flip This House (CC)		
4:00	Eyewitness News First	14 News at 4:00PM (CC)	The People's Court (CC)	Jerry Springer DeGneres Show	Jerry Springer DeGneres Show	Wild Kratts	Wild Kratts	Friends						ATP Tennis		
4:30						Electric	Electric	King						Nation		
5:00	News	News	Judge Judy	Ent	Maury (CC)	Martha	World News	King						College Basketball		
5:30	World News	NBC News	Judge Judy	CBS News		Business	Business	Seinfeld						Movie: "Su-perbad"		
6:00	News	News	Big Bang Theory	Dr. Phil (CC)	PBS News-Hour (CC)	PBS News-Hour (CC)	Funnest	Seinfeld						Hoarders (CC)		
6:30	Millionaire	Wheel	College Basketball		Two Men	Two Men	Home Videos	Seinfeld						Hoarders (CC)		
7:00	Last Man Fashion Star	Fashion Star (CC)	Malibu "Sex Sells"		Kitchen Nightmares	Country Pop Legends (My Music) (CC)	Comment	Family Guy						Hoarders (CC)		
7:30					Boss "ADT"	Legends (My Music) (CC)	McLaughlin	Hitch (CC)						College Basketball		
8:00	Shark Tank	Grimm (CC) (DVS)	Shark Tank (CC) (DVS)		Golden Boy	Touch	Viewers' Choice	Hitch (CC)						Movie: "Billy Madison"		
8:30					"Ghosts" (CC)									Hoarders (CC)		
9:00	20/20 (CC)	Rock Center			Blue Bloods	Monk (CC)	Malt Shop Memories: The Concert (CC)	McLaughlin						Hoarders (CC)		
9:30						Two Men	Two Men	How I Met						Hoarders (CC)		
10:00	Jimmy Kimmel	Tonight Show w/J. Leno												Army Wives (CC)		ATP Tennis
10:30	Live (CC)	News												Hoarders (CC)		
11:00	Nightline	Late Night	Big Bang Theory											"Jay and Silent Bob Strike Back"		
11:30														Hoarders (CC)		
12:00	Inside Ed.	/Jimmy Fallon	Family Guy											NBA		
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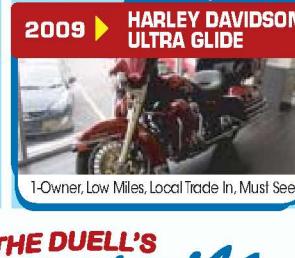
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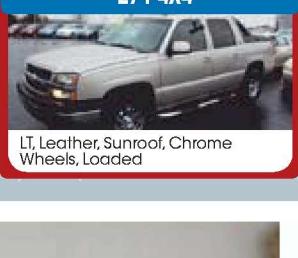
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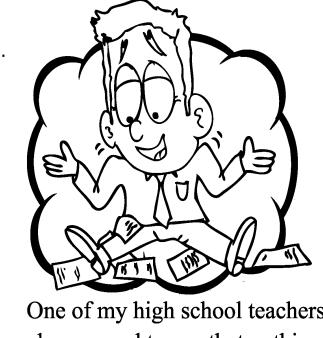
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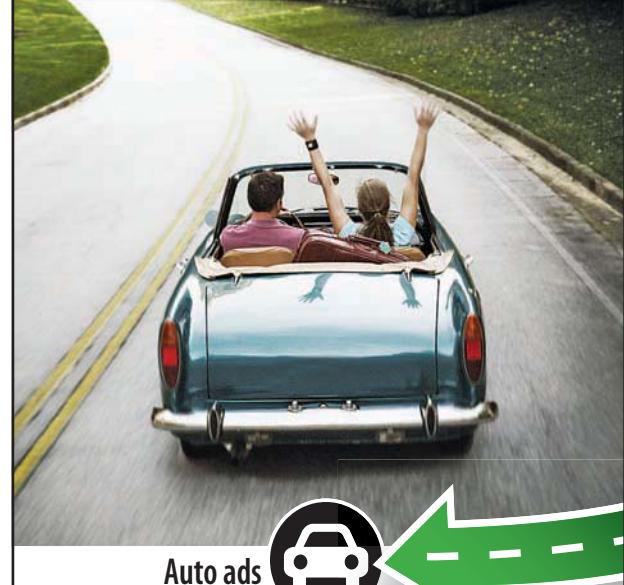
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